SOCIAL SCIENCE (BS)

Tourism, Environment, and Sustainable Societies

The BS degree in Social Science provides students with the opportunity to study the diversity of the human experience from the perspectives of the various social science disciplines. The curriculum structure exposes students to the basic content and approach of each of the disciplines within the Department of Social Science (Anthropology, Environmental Planning, Geography, History, Political Science, and Sociology), while also allowing students the flexibility to pursue specific areas of interest.

This interdisciplinary program provides students with valuable skills of research, writing, and decision making, utilizing the perspectives and methodologies of the various social sciences. The program provides a basic background for future graduate work in any of the social sciences and a well-rounded liberal education for future careers in business, non-profit agencies, government, and other similar areas.

Degree Requirements

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Upper-Division Concentration Disciplines (3000/4000 Level)

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Complete at least eight credits of 3000/4000 level courses in any two of the following disciplines:

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Social Science Upper-Level Electives

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Technology in the Discipline Connection

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General Education (https://coursecatalog.plymouth.edu/general-education/)

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Creative Thought Direction | 3-4 |
Recommended Course Sequence

Check all course descriptions for prerequisites before planning course schedule. Course sequence is suggested but not required.

To complete the bachelor’s degree in 4 years, you must successfully complete a minimum of 15 credits each semester or have a plan to make up credits over the course of the 4 years. For example, if you take 14 credits one semester, you need to take 16 credits in another semester. Credits completed must count toward your program requirements (major, option, minor, certificate, general education or free electives).

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"Writing in the Discipline Connection must be completed in a Concentration discipline."  
"Directions should total 20 credits (unless the major has a waiver for a specific Direction)."
### Elective Credits: 2-4

#### Year Three

**Complete two Concentration Disciplines from the following:**
- **AN** Anthropology (not ANDI)
- **EC** Economics (not ECDI)
- **GE** Geography (not GEDI)
- **PO** Political Science (not PODI)
- **PS** Psychology (not PSDI)
- **SO** Sociology (not SODI)

**DICO (https://coursecatalog.plymouth.edu/general-education/#DICO)**

**Complete one Quantitative Reasoning Connection Course from the following:**
- **GE 2050** GIS I: Introduction to Geographic Information Systems (QRCO,TECO)
- **HI 2223** Methods, Theories, and Careers in History (QRCO,WRCO)
- **MA 1900** Statistical Literacy in Today’s Society (QRCO)
- **MA 2300** Statistics I (QRCO)
- **SS 3705** Social Statistics (QRCO)
- **SSE 3515** Technology and Assessment in Education (QRCO,TECO)
- **SW 3705** Social Statistics (QRCO)

**WECO (https://coursecatalog.plymouth.edu/general-education/#WECO)**

**Electives**

**Year Four**

**Complete at least eight credits of 3000/4000 level Social Science Upper-level Electives from the following:**
- **AN** Anthropology (not ANDI)
- **EC** Economics (not ECDI)
- **EPL** Environmental Planning
- **GE** Geography (not GEDI)
- **HI** History (not HIDI)
- **PO** Political Science (not PODI)
- **PS** Psychology (not PSDI)
- **SO** Sociology (not SODI)
- **SSE** Social Studies Education
- **TMP** Tourism Management and Policy

**GACO (https://coursecatalog.plymouth.edu/general-education/#GACO)**

**INCP (https://coursecatalog.plymouth.edu/general-education/#INCP)**

**Complete one Technology Discipline Connection Course from the following:**
- **AN 4415** Methods of Social Research (TECO)
- **CM 3095** Technical Communication (TECO,WRCO)
- **ED 3350** Classroom Planning, Management, and Organization for Middle School and Secondary Educators (TECO)
- **GE 2050** GIS I: Introduction to Geographic Information Systems (QRCO,TECO)
- **PO 3125** Political Parties, Elections, and Interest Groups (TECO)
- **SO 4415** Methods of Social Research (TECO)

**Electives**

**Total Credits**

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1. Directions should total 20 credits (unless the major has a waiver for a specific Direction).
2. Complete at least eight credits of 3000/4000 level courses in any two Social Science disciplines, including WRCO. Writing in the Discipline Connection must be completed in a Concentration discipline.