

# SOCIAL SCIENCE (BS)

## Tourism, Environment, and Sustainable Development

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

Course	Title	Credits
<b>Behavioral Sciences Foundations</b>		
Complete one 1000/2000 level course from one of the following disciplines:		3-4
AN	Anthropology (not ANDI)	
PS	Psychology (not PSDI)	
SO	Sociology (not SODI)	
<b>Economic Foundations</b>		
Complete one course from the following:		3-4
EC 2550	Macroeconomics (GACO)	
EC 2560	Microeconomics	
EC 3400	Economics for Educators	
GE 3080	Economic Geography	
<b>Global Foundations</b>		
Complete one course from the following:		3-4
AN 2100	Foundations of Anthropology (GACO)	
GE 2002	Human Geography	
GE 3020	Geography for Educators (GACO)	
HI 2011	Modern World History, 1500 to Present (GACO)	
PO 1035	World Politics (GACO)	
TMP 2010	Introduction to Travel and Tourism (GACO)	
<b>Political and Historical Foundations</b>		
HI 2025	Surveying Themes in United States History	4
PO 1025	American Government	4
<b>Social Science Core</b>		
Complete one 1000/2000 level course from any of the following disciplines:		3-4
AN	Anthropology (not ANDI)	
EC	Economics (not ECDI)	
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	

## Concentration Disciplines

Complete at least eight credits of 3000/4000 level courses in any two of the following disciplines, including the Writing in the Discipline Connection (WRCO):<sup>1</sup>

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)

## Social Science Upper-Level Electives

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

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

## Quantitative Reasoning Connection

Complete one course from the following:

GE 2050	GIS I: Introduction to Geographic Information Systems (QRCO,TECO)	3-4
HI 2223	Methods, Theories, and Careers in History (QRCO,WRCO)	
LI 2000	Introduction to Language and Linguistics (QRCO)	
MA 1900	Statistical Literacy in Today's Society (QRCO)	
MA 2300	Statistics I (QRCO)	
SS 3705	Social Statistics (QRCO)	
SSE 3010	Theories of Learning and Assessment in Social Studies (QRCO)	
SW 3705	Social Statistics (QRCO)	

## Technology in the Discipline Connection

Complete one course from the following:

AN 4415	Methods of Social Research (TECO)	3-4
CM 3090	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)	

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

EN 1400	Composition	4
IS 1111	The First Year Seminar: Critical Thinking and the Nature of Inquiry	3
MA	Mathematics Foundations	3-4

CTDI	Creative Thought Direction	3-4
PPDI	Past and Present Direction	3-4
SIDI	Scientific Inquiry Direction	3-4
SSDI	Self and Society Direction	3-4
Directions (choose from CTDI, PPDI, SIDI, SSDI) <sup>2</sup>		4-8
DICO	Diversity Connection	3-4
GACO	Global Awareness Connection	3-4
INCO	Integration Connection	3-4
WECO	Wellness Connection	3-4
Electives		17-28
Total Credits		120

<sup>1</sup> Writing in the Discipline Connection must be completed in a Concentration discipline.

<sup>2</sup> Directions should total 20 credits (unless the major has a waiver for a specific Direction).

## Recommended Course Sequence

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

Course	Title	Credits
<b>Year One</b>		
EN 1400	Composition	4
IS 1111	The First Year Seminar: Critical Thinking and the Nature of Inquiry	3
MA ( <a href="https://coursecatalog.plymouth.edu/general-education/#MATH">https://coursecatalog.plymouth.edu/general-education/#MATH</a> )	Mathematics Foundations	3-4
HI 2025	Surveying Themes in United States History	4
PO 1025	American Government	4
CTDI ( <a href="https://coursecatalog.plymouth.edu/general-education/#CTDI">https://coursecatalog.plymouth.edu/general-education/#CTDI</a> )	Creative Thought Direction	3-4
PPDI ( <a href="https://coursecatalog.plymouth.edu/general-education/#PPDI">https://coursecatalog.plymouth.edu/general-education/#PPDI</a> )	Past and Present Direction	3-4
Electives		3-6
Credits		27-33

### Year Two

Complete one Behavioral Sciences Foundations Course from the following:	3-4
AN	Anthropology (not ANDI)
PS	Psychology (not PSDI)
SO	Sociology (not SODI)
Complete one Economics Foundations Course from the following:	3-4
EC 2550	Macroeconomics (GACO)
EC 2560	Microeconomics
EC 3400	Economics for Educators
GE 3080	Economic Geography
Complete one Global Foundations Course from the following:	3-4
AN 2100	Foundations of Anthropology (GACO)

GE 2002	Human Geography	
GE 3020	Geography for Educators (GACO)	
HI 2011	Modern World History, 1500 to Present (GACO)	
PO 1035	World Politics (GACO)	
TMP 2010	Introduction to Travel and Tourism (GACO)	
Complete one Social Science Core, 1000/2000 level Course from the following:	3-4	
AN	Anthropology (not ANDI)	
EC	Economics (not ECDI)	
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	
SIDI ( <a href="https://coursecatalog.plymouth.edu/general-education/#SIDI">https://coursecatalog.plymouth.edu/general-education/#SIDI</a> )	Scientific Inquiry Direction	3-4
SSDI ( <a href="https://coursecatalog.plymouth.edu/general-education/#SSDI">https://coursecatalog.plymouth.edu/general-education/#SSDI</a> )	Self and Society Direction	3-4
Directions (choose from CTDI, PPDI, SIDI, SSDI) ( <a href="https://coursecatalog.plymouth.edu/general-education/#SIDI">https://coursecatalog.plymouth.edu/general-education/#SIDI</a> ) <sup>1</sup>		4-8
Elective		2-4
Credits		24-36

### Year Three

Complete two Concentration Disciplines from the following: <sup>2</sup>	16	
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 ( <a href="https://coursecatalog.plymouth.edu/general-education/#DICO">https://coursecatalog.plymouth.edu/general-education/#DICO</a> )	Diversity Connection	3-4
Complete one Quantitative Reasoning Connection Course from the following:	3-4	
GE 2050	GIS I: Introduction to Geographic Information Systems (QRCO,TECO)	
HI 2223	Methods, Theories, and Careers in History (QRCO,WRCO)	
LI 2000	Introduction to Language and Linguistics (QRCO)	
MA 1900	Statistical Literacy in Today's Society (QRCO)	
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WECO (<https://coursecatalog.plymouth.edu/general-education/#WECO>) Wellness Connection 3-4

Electives 2-5

Credits 27-33

#### Year Four

Complete at least eight credits of 3000/4000 level Social Science Upper-level Electives from the following: 8

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>) Global Awareness Connection 3-4

INCO (<https://coursecatalog.plymouth.edu/general-education/#INCO>) Integration Connection 3-4

Complete one Technology Discipline Connection Course from the following: 3-4

AN 4415 Methods of Social Research (TECO)

CM 3090 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 10-13

Credits 27-33

Total Credits 120

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