

Department of History and Sociology

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Degrees Offered

Bachelor of Arts/ Bachelor of Science

- History
- Sociology
- Social Science Composite

Minors

- History
- Sociology

Department Statement

It is the mission of the history and sociology department to encourage a life-long passion for learning and a quest for knowledge by providing an environment that fosters academic excellence and unfettered inquiry. We encourage the development of ethics and values that recognize knowledge in all its diverse and creative forms. The primary goal of our department is to offer excellence in instruction while meeting the academic needs of the students. Our mission is to foster a creative learning environment and assist students through meaningful and relevant experiences to:

1. Promote respect for the diversity of all people as the core of social thought.
2. Guide students in developing analytical, communication, and information-gathering skills.
3. Encourage students to be tolerant, informed, and responsible citizens.
4. Offer opportunities for practical experience through internships, work studies, and memberships in honorary societies in history, sociology and anthropology.
5. Contribute to the cultural, historical, political and social development of southern Utah and the surrounding region.

History Mission Statement

The history program supports the general education program and is committed to preparing undergraduate students to understand their historical and cultural heritage. Further, in cooperation with the College of Education, the department prepares students for teaching careers in elementary and secondary schools, and it works to qualify majors for graduate study and advanced administrative specialization.

Social Science Composite Mission Statement

Southern Utah University offers a composite degree in social sciences for those who are seeking licensure in secondary

education and choose this option. The advantage of the composite is in securing a teaching license in several areas of the social sciences.

Sociology Mission Statement

The sociology program prepares students for life in a diverse society by introducing them to applied and conceptual tools that aid in a more thorough understanding of social structure, social processes, group values, attitudes and beliefs. Sociology supports the general education requirements, integrates service-learning in several courses, and prepares students for graduate degree programs in addition to careers in teaching, social work, and a variety of administrative and research occupations.

Degree Requirements

History Major Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Science	
Course Number and Title	Credits
General Education Core (see page 103)	
Core Course Requirements	17-18
Knowledge Areas Requirements	19
University Requirements	
BA Degree – Foreign Language/ASL Requirement (16 hours or proficiency test) BS Degree – Math or Science minimum requirement (12 hours)	
History Major Core Requirements (36 credits)	
One course from each of the following pairs (6 hours):	
HIST 1100 Western Civilization I OR HIST 1110 Western Civilization II	3
HIST 2700 United States: 1607-1877 OR HIST 2710 United States: 1877-Present	3
Both of the following (6 hours):	
HIST 3090 History Seminar	3
HIST 4990 Seminar in Historical Research	3
History Elective Credits (24 hours)	
<i>A student must take at least 24 hours of elective credit of which no less than 15 hours must be upper-division credit. A history major must also pass HIST 4990 with a "B-" or better grade. No grade below a "C-" is acceptable in the major.</i>	

History Minor	
Course Number and Title	Credits
Required Courses (6 hours)	
One of the following	
HIST 1100 Western Civilization I OR HIST 1110 Western Civilization II	3
One of the following	
HIST 2700 United States: 1607-1877 OR HIST 2710 United States: 1877-Present	3
A student seeking teacher licensure with a history minor must complete HIST 2700, 2710, and 3870.	

Electives (12 hours)	
Sufficient courses from the department's offerings to meet the minimum requirement.	
Comments: No more than 9 credits of lower division history classes may be counted toward the credit requirement of the minor.	
Total History Credits Required (minimum)	18

Requirements for Secondary Education History Majors	
History majors may be recommended for a state of Utah teaching licensure in the secondary schools by earning a bachelor's degree and completing a Teaching minor. Students interested in teaching are required to take SOSC 4900 and complete the sequence of professional education courses offered through the College of Education. A history major seeking a secondary teaching licensure must complete one of the following options instead of completing the History Electives requirement shown above.	
Option 1 (23 hours)	
HIST 2700 United States: 1607-1877	3
HIST 2710 United States: 1877 – Present	3
HIST 3810 Westward Movement OR HIST 3880 History of the Southwest	3
HIST 3870 History of Utah	3
SOSC 4900 Teaching Social Science Subjects	2
<i>Plus 9 history elective credits</i>	9
Option 2 (23 hours)	
HIST 3870 History of Utah	3
SOSC 4900 Teaching Social Science Subjects	2
<i>Plus 9 history elective credits</i>	9
Plus a minimum of three courses selected from the following (9 hours):	
HIST 4710 United States 1607-1789 HIST 4720 United States 1784-1845 HIST 4730 United States 1845-1898 HIST 4740 United States 1898-1945 HIST 4750 United States 1945 – Present	9
*Electives: sufficient courses from the departments' offerings to meet the minimum requirements. No more than 12 hours of lower division history classes may be counted toward the credit requirement of the major	
Free Electives (includes completing B.A. or B.S. requirements)	48
Total Credits, B.A. or B.S. degree	120

Social Science Composite Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Science	
Course Number and Title	Credits
General Education Core (see page 103)	
Core Course Requirements	17-18
Knowledge Areas Requirements	19
University Requirements	
BA Degree – Foreign Language/ASL Requirement (16 hours or proficiency test)	
BS Degree – Math or Science minimum requirement (12 hours)	

The social science composite is a degree program. Students desiring a social science composite may be recommended for a state of Utah teaching license by earning a bachelor's degree and completing the professional education courses offered through the teacher education department in the College of Education.

Required Courses (50 hours minimum in social sciences):	
Complete 18-hour minimum requirement in history	18
A minimum of 8 semester hours is required in geography. GEOG 3550 or 3555 are not recommended for those seeking teaching licensure. One should consult the HSS advisor.	8
A minimum of 24 hours is required from economics, political science, psychology and sociology with at least 6 hours in each of the above subject matter areas. It is suggested that economic classes include courses that teach principles of economics and macro and micro economics. American government, law, and state and local government are suggested areas, which the Political Science courses should cover. Introduction to Psychology is required and Sociology 1010 and 3010 are strongly recommended. Additional hours to reach the minimum of 50 will be from electives in the social sciences subjects. At least 25 hours must be upper division credit. Additionally, Social Studies 4900 is required, which is not part of the minimum 50 semester hours for this major.	24
Free Electives (includes completing B.A./B.S. requirement)	34
Total Credits, B.A. or B.S. degree	120

Professional Education Requirements for Secondary Licensure	
Course Title	Credits
Required Credits: 30-31 minimum in Education	
EDUC 2000 Exploring Education in Society*	3
EDUC 3170 Instructional Technology for Educators	3
SCED 2010 Teaching Process Lab	1
SCED 3200 Secondary Educational Psychology	3
SPED 3030 Foundations of Special Education	2
4900 (methods of teaching course in the area(s) seeking licensure)	2-3
Secondary Block as noted below	
SCED 3570 Motivation/Management of Diverse Instructional Environments for Secondary Teachers	3
SCED 3590 Instructional Planning, Delivery, and Assessment	3
SCED 3720 Content Area Literacy	2
SCED 4520 Secondary Practicum (student teaching) is taken the semester prior to secondary block as noted below	3
SCED 4980 Clinical Practice	7
4980 Secondary Practicum (student teaching in the content area(s) of licensure is taken the semester following the secondary block	2
Total Credits	34-35

*Meets general education requirements in the interdisciplinary knowledge area

Sociology Major Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Science	
Course Number and Title	Credits
General Education Core (see page 103)	
Core Course Requirements	17-18
Knowledge Areas Requirements	19
University Requirements	
BA Degree – Foreign Language/ASL Requirement (16 hours or proficiency test)	
BS Degree – Math or Science minimum requirement (12 hours)	
Core Requirements	
Sociology is a major that emphasizes the scientific study of social systems and their components. In addition, sociological research methods, including statistical analysis, are essential aspects of each substantive area in sociology. No grade below a C- will be accepted toward credit. Recommended for students interested in sociology graduate studies, careers in corrections, law enforcement, social science research, pre-law, high school sociology, public relations, counseling, drug and alcohol education, mental health, race relations, public health, and urban studies and planning.	
Required Sociology Courses (15 hours)	
SOC 1010 or 1020 is prerequisite for entering <u>any</u> sociology upper-division course.	
SOC 1010 Introduction to Sociology	3
SOC 4780 Sociology Theory	3
SOC 4810 Social Statistics	3
SOC 4990 Applied Research Methods	3
Choose one of the following SOC 2370 Gender Studies SOC 2630 Race and Ethnic Relations SOC 3000 Social Stratification	3
Sociology Electives (21 hours)	
Sufficient courses from the department's offerings to meet the minimum requirements. *21 Additional elective Sociology credit hours. *(no more than fifteen (15) lower division credit hours.)	21
Free Electives (includes completing B.A./B.S. requirements)	48
Total Credits, B.A. or B.S. degree	120

Sociology Minor	
Course Number and Title	Credits
Required Sociology Courses (9 hours)	
SOC 1010 Introduction to Sociology	3
SOC 4780 Sociology Theory	3
Choose one of the following SOC 2370 Gender Studies SOC 2630 Race and Ethnic Relations SOC 3000 Social Stratification	3
In addition, nine (9) Sociology elective credits.	9
Sufficient courses from the department's offerings to meet the minimum requirements. No more than twelve (12) credits of lower-division work for the minor.	
Total Credits (minimum)	18

Rural Master of Social Work
Southern Utah University cooperates with the University of Utah in making this degree available on the SUU campus. For more information contact Scott Sorensen at (435) 586-1938. Offices are in the Centrum.

