

# HISTORY/SOCIAL SCIENCE, BACHELOR OF ARTS

**College:** College of Liberal Arts

**Department:** History, Philosophy, and Theology

**Student Type:** Traditional Undergraduate

**Degree:** Bachelor of Arts

**Campus:** Lisle Campus

Students who desire to be licensed to teach social science-history at the secondary level (grades 9-12) are to declare themselves as **History/Social Science majors and Education minors** (<http://catalog.ben.edu/lisle-undergraduate/academic-programs/education/secondary-education-minor-pel/>) and register with the Benedictine University Education Program as teaching licensure candidates.

Advising is then a joint responsibility of the Department of Social Science and the School of Education. For History/Social Science, advisor for this program see Susan Mikula, Ph.D. ( [SMikula@ben.edu](mailto:SMikula@ben.edu) )

Students interested in a History major and are not intending to be teachers should pursue the History major (<http://catalog.ben.edu/lisle-undergraduate/academic-programs/history-philosophy-theology/history-ba/>) instead. Students interested in a Social Science major which includes track options in Political Science, Economics, Psychology, History, Criminology, and Sociology and are not intending to be teachers should pursue the Social Science major (<http://catalog.ben.edu/lisle-undergraduate/academic-programs/interdisciplinary/social-science-ba/>) instead.

## Requirements - Major

Students must complete, with a grade of "C" or better, 24 semester credit hours in history, 9 semester credit hours in political science and 3 additional courses in the social sciences. At least 24 semester credit hours have to be at the 2000 level or above, including 18 semester credit hours at the 3000 level or above. The major will ordinarily consist of the following:

| Code   | Title                        | Hours |
|--|------------------------------|-------|
| <b>History</b>   |                              |       |
| HIST 1111  | American History to 1865     | 3     |
| HIST 1112  | American History since 1865  | 3     |
| HIST 2240  | Converging Hemispheres       | 3     |
| HIST 3303  | Historiography               | 3     |
| HIST 4399  | Senior Thesis                | 3     |
| 3 semester credit hour course from each of American, European, and world history, with two at the 3000-level and one at the 4000-level |                              | 9     |
| <b>Political Science</b>   |                              |       |
| PLSC 1101  | Global Affairs               | 3     |
| PLSC 2201  | State and Local Government   | 3     |
| 3 semester credit hours of 3000-level or above Political Science course  |                              | 3     |
| <b>Economics, Geography, and Sociology</b>   |                              |       |
| ECON 2002  | Principles of Macroeconomics | 3     |
| GEOG 1106  | Geography and Cartography    | 3     |

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| SOCL 1100          | Principles of Sociology | 3         |
| <b>Total Hours</b> |                         | <b>42</b> |

Students must complete the requirement for a major in History/Social Science as well as the requirements of the Teacher Licensure Program in Education which includes the Education minor (<http://catalog.ben.edu/lisle-undergraduate/academic-programs/education/secondary-education-minor-pel/>) (see Education [Elementary Education, Special Education and Minors in Education and Special Education] (<http://catalog.ben.edu/lisle-undergraduate/academic-programs/education/>) section).