

## SOCIAL STUDIES TEACHING BS

### Social Studies Teaching

College of Social & Behavioral Sciences  
Department of History  
Social Studies Program  
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The social studies program is designed to prepare students to teach social studies in secondary schools. This challenging program draws upon faculty from nine areas (anthropology, economics, ethnic studies, gender and women's studies, geography, history, political science, psychology, and sociology) and works with the College of Education to promote effective teaching practice for future and in-service teachers.

A non-teaching major in social studies is also offered, and provides the student an opportunity to create a program to meet her or his personal academic needs.

**Academic Map/Degree Plan at [www.mnsu.edu/programs/#All](http://www.mnsu.edu/programs/#All)**

#### POLICIES/INFORMATION

**Admission to Major** is granted by the program. Minimum university admission requirements are:

- a minimum of 32 earned semester credit hours.
- a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.00 ("C").

Contact the social studies coordinator for application procedures.

**Admission to the Social Studies Program.** Students enrolling in SOST 450 must be admitted to the social studies program, a process in addition to admission to the major. Admission to the social studies (teaching) program is limited. Preference for admission to the program is given to students who have a 3.0 GPA and who have had significant global, multicultural, civic, and community service experience. Students are encouraged to work closely with their advisor to prepare for admission to the social studies program.

**GPA Policy.** A grade of "C" or better is required in all courses in the major.

**P/N Grading Policy.** No more than 12 credits may be taken P/N.

#### SOCIAL STUDIES BS TEACHING

Degree completion = 120 credits

#### ANTHROPOLOGY OPTION

##### Required General Education

ANTH	101	Introduction to Anthropology (4)
GEOG	100	Elements of Geography (3)
POL	111	United States Government (3)
PSYC	101	Introduction to Psychological Science (4)
<u>U.S. History to 1877</u> (choose 4 credits)		
HIST	190	United States to 1877 (4)
HIST	190W	United States to 1877 (4)
<u>U.S. History Since 1877</u> (choose 4 credits)		
HIST	191	United States Since 1877 (4)
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##### Major Common Core

ECON	201	Principles of Macroeconomics (3)
ECON	202	Principles of Microeconomics (3)
GEOG	340	United States (3)
HIST	302	World History: An Overview (4)
POL	321	Democracy and Citizenship (3)
SOC	101	Introduction to Sociology (3)
SOST	200	Introduction to Social Studies Teaching (2)
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#### Major Restricted Electives

Expansion Course (choose 3 credits)

ETHN	410	Foundations of Oppression (3)
GWS	220	Sex and Gender Worldwide (4)
GWS	220W	Sex and Gender Worldwide (4)

#### Major Emphasis: Anthropology (15 credits)

(choose 4 credits)

ANTH	220	Human Origins (4)
ANTH	230	Peoples and Cultures of the World (4)
ANTH	240	Languages and Cultures (4)

(choose 11 credits of 300-400 level anthropology courses)

ANTH 300 - ANTH 400

#### Other Graduation Requirements

Professional Education, 30 credits.

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#### ECONOMICS OPTION

##### Required General Education

ANTH	101	Introduction to Anthropology (4)
GEOG	100	Elements of Geography (3)
POL	111	United States Government (3)
PSYC	101	Introduction to Psychological Science (4)
<u>U.S. History to 1877</u> (choose 4 credits from the following)		
HIST	190	United States to 1877 (4)
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GWS	220W	Sex and Gender Worldwide (4)

#### Major Emphasis: Economics (15 credits)

ECON	314W	Current Economic Issues (3)
ECON	403	Labor Economics (3)
ECON	412	Resources and Environmental Economics (3)
ECON	416	Sport Economics (3)
ECON	420	International Economics (3)

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Alcohol & Drug Education (choose 1 credit)

PSYC 490 Workshop (1-3)

## GEOGRAPHY OPTION

### Required General Education

ANTH	101	Introduction to Anthropology (4)
GEOG	100	Elements of Geography (3)
POL	111	United States Government (3)
PSYC	101	Introduction to Psychological Science (4)
<u>U.S. History to 1877</u> (choose 4 credits from the following)		
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GWS	220	Sex and Gender Worldwide (4)
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### Major Emphasis: Geography (15 credits)

GEOG	101	Introductory Physical Geography (3)
GEOG	103	Introductory Cultural Geography (3)
<u>Physical Geography</u> (choose 3 credits from the following)		
GEOG	313	Natural Disasters (3)
GEOG	315	Geomorphology (3)
GEOG	410	Climatic Environments (3)
GEOG	420	Conservation of Natural Resources (3)
<u>Regional Geography Course</u> (choose 3 credits)		
GEOG	445	Latin America (3)
GEOG	450	Europe (3)
GEOG	454	Russian Realm (3)
GEOG	456	Africa (3)
GEOG	458	Geography of East Asia (3)
<u>Culture Geography</u> (choose 3 credits)		
GEOG	425	Economic Geography (3)
GEOG	435	Urban Geography (3)
GEOG	436	Rural Geography (3)
GEOG	438	Social Geography (3)

### Other Graduation Requirements

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Alcohol & Drug Education		
(choose 1 credit)		
PSYC	490	Workshop (1-3)

## HISTORY OPTION

### Required General Education

ANTH	101	Introduction to Anthropology (4)
GEOG	100	Elements of Geography (3)
POL	111	United States Government (3)
PSYC	101	Introduction to Psychological Science (4)
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GWS	220	Sex and Gender Worldwide (4)
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### Major Emphasis: History (15 credits)

Select (15 credits) of 300-400 level courses, including at least one 400 level course from each of the following areas: Europe, Third World, and the U.S.

HIST 300- HIST 499

### Other Graduation Requirements

Professional Education, 30 credits.

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## POLITICAL SCIENCE OPTION

### Required General Education

ANTH	101	Introduction to Anthropology (4)
GEOG	100	Elements of Geography (3)
POL	111	United States Government (3)
PSYC	101	Introduction to Psychological Science (4)
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HIST	190	United States to 1877 (4)
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GWS	220	Sex and Gender Worldwide (4)
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### Major Emphasis: Political Science (15 credits)

POL	371	State & Local Government (3)
POL	414	Early United States Political Thought (3)
POL	473	Legislative Process (3)
(choose 3 credits)		
POL	231	World Politics (3)
POL	241	Introduction to Comparative Politics (3)
(choose 3 credits)		
POL	422	Campaigns & Elections (3)
POL	423	Political Parties (3)
POL	454	Civil Liberties (3)
POL	474	Executive Process (3)

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PSYC 490 Workshop (1-3)

### PSYCHOLOGY OPTION

#### Required General Education

ANTH 101 Introduction to Anthropology (4)

GEOG 100 Elements of Geography (3)

POL 111 United States Government (3)

PSYC 101 Introduction to Psychological Science (4)

U.S. History to 1877 (choose 4 credits)

HIST 190 United States to 1877 (4)

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U.S. History Since 1877 (choose 4 credits)

HIST 191 United States Since 1877 (4)

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#### Major Common Core

ECON 201 Principles of Macroeconomics (3)

ECON 202 Principles of Microeconomics (3)

GEOG 340 United States (3)

HIST 302 World History: An Overview (4)

POL 321 Democracy and Citizenship (3)

SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology (3)

SOST 200 Introduction to Social Studies Teaching (2)

SOST 450 Teaching Social Studies Secondary School (4)

#### Major Restricted Electives

Expansion Course (choose 3 credits)

ETHN 410 Foundations of Oppression (3)

GWS 220 Sex and Gender Worldwide (4)

GWS 220W Sex and Gender Worldwide (4)

#### Major Emphasis: Psychology (15 credits)

PSYC 201 Statistics for Psychology (4)

PSYC 211 Research Methods and Design (4)

(choose 4 credits)

PSYC 407 Advanced Behavior Analysis (4)

PSYC 413 Sensation & Perception (4)

PSYC 421 Behavior Neuroscience (4)

(choose 3 credits)

PSYC 340 Social Psychology (4)

PSYC 433 Child Psychology (4)

PSYC 436 Adolescent Psychology (4)

PSYC 455 Abnormal Psychology (4)

PSYC 456 Personality Theories (3)

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ECON 202 Principles of Microeconomics (3)

ECON 429 Economic Education (3)

GEOG 340 United States (3)

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Theory

SOC 458 Sociological Theory (3)

Issues

(choose 3 credits from the following)

SOC 255 Juvenile Delinquency (3)

SOC 307 Sex & Gender in Contemporary Society (3)

SOC 425 Social Movements (3)

SOC 441 Social Deviance (3)

SOC 446 Race, Culture & Ethnicity (3)

SOC 463 Social Stratification (3)

SOC 482 Social Change (3)

Methods

(choose 3 credits from the following)

SOC 201 Social Research I (3)

SOC 469 Survey Research (3)

SOC 479 Sociological Ethnography (3)

SOC 480 Qualitative Methods (3)

Family

SOC 408 Family Life Dynamics (3)

SOC 409 Family Violence (3)

SOC 483 The Family and Society (3)

Macro

SOC 351 Social Psychology (3)

SOC 407 Population Dynamics (3)

SOC 423 Complex Organizations (3)

SOC 461 Urban Sociology (3)

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### COURSE DESCRIPTIONS SEE SOCIAL STUDIES