

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCE

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The Department of Social Science provides a wide variety of courses in history, political science, psychology, sociology and social work. Though each is unique in its focus and in its emphasis, the social sciences have a common concern with human behavior. The social sciences share the belief that human behavior, culture, and society—the total human experience—can and should be studied using the methods of science.

The Department of Social Science is committed to offering high quality classroom instruction, providing professional and caring advising and demonstrating strong commitment to the values of a higher education community. While the faculty are justifiably proud of what they as an academic unit are doing well, they also fully realize that a contemporary education entails more than classroom work. Thus, the Department of Social Science offers a variety of opportunities and experiences that go beyond the formal classroom experience. In addition to course work, students are encouraged to be active and engaged citizens, individuals demonstrating leadership in campus and community activities. The Department promotes and supports students interested in internships, work experience, and other career-oriented opportunities.

The Department sponsors student organizations such as the Behavioral Science Club and Pi Gamma Mu, the International Social Science Honor Society.

In short, the Department of Social Science is a strong academic department committed to effective instruction, quality advising, social activism, and expanding career opportunities for our students.

For additional information about the Department of Social Science, its programs, faculty, and organizations call (304) 462-6270.

Degree Programs

Bachelor of Arts in History and Political Science with majors in:

- Appalachian Studies
- History and Political Science

Bachelor of Science in Behavioral Science

- Psychology

Bachelor of Arts in Education

- Social Studies (5-Adult) or Social Studies (5-9)

**BACHELOR OF ARTS
HISTORY AND POLITICAL SCIENCE
APPALACHIAN STUDIES**

GSU 100 The First Year Experience 0 hour

All degree seeking students are required to take GSU 100 during their first semester.

General Education Requirements 39 hours

Students must complete HIST 201 and POSC 203 as part of the General Education requirements.

History and Political Science Core 27 hours

GEOG 203	World Regional Geography (OR)	
SOCS 225	Introduction to Global Studies	3
HIST 201	History of World Cultures I	
HIST 202	History of World Cultures II	3
HIST 207	United States History to 1877	3
HIST 208	United States History since 1877	3
HIST 293	Fields and Careers in History and Political Science	3
HIST 335	Recent United States History	3
HIST 493	Senior Project (OR)	
POSC 493	Senior Project	3
POSC 203	American National Government	
POSC 204	State and Local Government	3
POSC 304	Comparative Government (OR)	
POSC 401	International Relations	3

Appalachian Studies Major 33 hours

APST 101	Introduction to Appalachian Studies	3
APST 303	Appalachian Music Traditions	3
APST 304	Bluegrass Music Traditions	3
APST 397	Work Experience II	3
APST 497	Internship II	3
ENGL 350	Appalachian Literature	3
HIST 303	West Virginia History	3
NPLM 301	Nonprofit Leadership & Management	3
POSC 390	Public Administration	3
Select two of the following:		6
MUSC 306	Recording and Engineering	
NPLM 302	Grant Writing	
NRMT 351	Flora of West Virginia	
PSYC 330	Social Psychology	

General Electives or Minor* 21 hours

* may not select a Global Studies, History or Political Science minor

Total minimum hours required for degree 120 hours

**GATEWAY ASSESSMENT - HISTORY 293
CAPSTONE ASSESSMENT - HISTORY 493 OR POLITICAL SCIENCE 493**

**HISTORY AND POLITICAL SCIENCE
APPALACHIAN STUDIES
SUGGESTED PLAN OF STUDY**

FIRST YEAR

APST 101	3	CART 101.....	3
CSCI 101	3	ENGL 102.....	3
ENGL 101	3	HIST 202	3
GSU 100	0	ENVR 101, SCNC 101, 102, (OR) 103	
HIST 201	3	POSC 204.....	3
MATH 106 or higher.....	3	Total Hours - Spring Semester	16
Total Hours - Fall Semester	15		

SECOND YEAR

ENVR 101, SCNC 101, 102, (OR) 103		ART 200, CART 200, FNAR 100 (OR)	
GEOG 203 (OR) SOCS 225	3	MUSC 200	3
HIST 207	3	ECON 201, 202, GEOG 203, PSYC 201,	
POSC 203	3	SOCL 205 (OR) SOCS 225	3
ELECTIVES.....	3	HIST 303	3
Total Hours - Fall Semester	16	NPLM 301	3
		ELECTIVES	3
		Total Hours - Spring Semester	15

THIRD YEAR

APST 303	3	APST 304	3
ENGL 203, 204, 205 (OR) 206	3	APST 397	3
HIST 293	3	HIST 208	3
PED 201 (OR) 301	1	HIST 335	3
POSC 304 (OR) POSC 401	3	ELECTIVES	3
ELECTIVES.....	3	Total Hours - Spring Semester	15
Total Hours - Fall Semester	16		

FOURTH YEAR

ENGL 350	3	ASPT 497	3
MUSC 306, NPLM 302, NRMT 351 (OR)		HIST 493 (OR) POSC 493	3
PSYC 330	3	MUSC 306, NPLM 302, NRMT 351 (OR)	
POSC 390	3	PSYC 330.....	3
ELECTIVE.....	6	ELECTIVES	3
Total Hours - Fall Semester	15	Total Hours - Spring Semester	12

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HISTORY AND POLITICAL SCIENCE
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POSC 493	Senior Project	3
POSC 203	American National Government	
POSC 204	State and Local Government	3
POSC 304	Comparative Government (OR)	
POSC 401	International Relations	3

History and Political Science Major 30 hours

HIST 351	European History Seminar	3
HIST 352	World History Seminar	3
HIST 353	American History Seminar	3
HIST 354	Concepts and Methods Seminar	3
HIST 450	Historiography	3
SOCS 293	Introduction to Research Methods	3

Six hours of upper Level History 6

Six hours of upper Level Political Science 6

General Electives or Minor* 24 hours

Total minimum hours required for degree 120 hours

**GATEWAY ASSESSMENT - HISTORY 293
CAPSTONE ASSESSMENT - HISTORY 493 OR POLITICAL SCIENCE 493**

**HISTORY AND POLITICAL SCIENCE
HISTORY AND POLITICAL SCIENCE
SUGGESTED PLAN OF STUDY**

FIRST YEAR

CSCI 101	3	CART 101.....	3
ENGL 101	3	ENGL 102.....	3
GSU 100	0	ENVR 101, SCNC 101, 102, (OR) 103.....	4
HIST 201	3	HIST 202	3
MATH 106 or higher.....	3	POSC 204	3
POSC 203	3	Total Hours - Spring Semester	16
Total Hours - Fall Semester	15		

SECOND YEAR

ENVR 101, SCNC 101, 102, 103 (OR).....	4	ART 200, CART 200, FNAR 100 (OR)	
GEOG 203 (OR) SOCS 225	3	MUSC 200	3
HIST 207	3	ECON 201, 202, GEOG 203, PSYC 201,	
ELECTIVES.....	6	SOCL 205, (OR) SOCS 225	3
Total Hours - Fall Semester	16	HIST 208	3
		POSC ELECTIVE (upper level).....	3
		ELECTIVES	3
		Total Hours - Spring Semester	15

THIRD YEAR

ENGL 203, 204, 205 (OR) 206	3	HIST 335	3
HIST 293	3	HIST 351 (OR) 354	3
HIST 352 (OR) 353	3	POSC ELECTIVE (Upper Level)	3
PED 201 (OR) 301	1	SOCS 293	3
POSC 304 (OR) POSC 401	3	ELECTIVES	3
ELECTIVES.....	3	Total Hours - Spring Semester	15
Total Hours - Fall Semester	16		

FOURTH YEAR

HIST 352 (OR) HIST 353	3	HIST 351 (OR) 354	3
HIST 450	3	HIST 493 (OR) POSC 493	3
HIST ELECTIVES (Upper Level)	3	HIST ELECTIVE (Upper Level).....	3
ELECTIVES.....	6	ELECTIVES	3
Total Hours - Fall Semester	15	Total Hours - Spring Semester	12

**BACHELOR OF SCIENCE
BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE
PSYCHOLOGY**

GSU 100 The First Year Experience 0 hour

All degree seeking students are required to take GSU 100 during their first semester.

General Education Requirements 39 hours

Students must complete PSYC 201 as part of the General Education requirements.

Psychology Major 57 hours

MATH 256	Probability and Statistics I	3
PSYC 201	General Psychology	
PSYC 250	Lifespan Development	3
PSYC 310	Abnormal Psychology	3
PSYC 330	Social Psychology	3
PSYC 450	Perception and Cognition	3
PSYC 493	Senior Seminar	3
PSYC	Electives (300 or higher)	12
SOCL 209	Social Problems	3
SOCS 293	Research Methods in Psychology	3
SOCS 490	Advanced Research Methodology	3
Restricted Electives		
Select from the following (12 hours must be 3-400 level):		18
CRJU 111	Introduction to Criminal Justice System	3
CRJU 403	Criminal Profiling	3
PSYC 220	Psychology and Law	3
PSYC 315	Psychology of Religion	3
PSYC 320	Victimology	3
PSYC 352	Child and Adolescent Psychology	3
PSYC 360	Psychology of Human Sexuality	3
PSYC 361	Emotion	3
PSYC 380	Drugs and Human Behavior	3
PSYC 420	Theories of Personality	3
PSYC 460	Clinical Applications/Tests and Measurements	3
SOCL 105	Interviewing and Counseling	3
SOCL 304	Marriage and Family	3
SOCL 312	Criminology	3
SOCL 340	Death and Dying	3

General Electives or Minor 24 hours

Total minimum hours required for degree 120 hours

GATEWAY ASSESSMENT - SOCS 293 - CAPSTONE ASSESSMENT - PSYC 493

Suggested Courses for a Career in:

Clinical Psychology

PSYC	315	Psychology of Religion
PSYC	360	Psychology of Human Sexuality
PSYC	380	Drugs and Human Behavior
PSYC	420	Theories of Personality
PSYC	460	Clinical Applications/Tests and Measurements
SOCL	105	Interviewing and Counseling
SOCL	304	Marriage and Family

Development Psychology

PSYC	315	Psychology of Religion
PSYC	352	Child and Adolescent Psychology
PSYC	360	Psychology of Human Sexuality
PSYC	361	Emotion
PSYC	420	Theories of Personality
SOCL	304	Marriage and Family
SOCL	340	Death and Dying

Forensic Psychology

CRJU	111	Introduction to Criminal Justice System
CRJU	403	Criminal Profiling
PSYC	220	Psychology and Law
PSYC	320	Victimology
PSYC	352	Child and Adolescent Psychology
PSYC	380	Drugs and Human Behavior
SOCL	312	Criminology

**BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE
PSYCHOLOGY
SUGGESTED PLAN OF STUDY**

FIRST YEAR

ART 200, CART 200, FNAR 100 (OR)	CSCI 101	3
MUSC 200	ENGL 102.....	3
CART 101	PSYC 250	3
ENGL 101	ENVR 101, SCNC 101, 102, (OR) 103.....	4
GSU 100	RESTRICTED ELECTIVE	3
MATH 106 or higher.....	Total Hours - Spring Semester	16
PED 201 (OR) 301		
PSYC 201		
Total Hours - Fall Semester.....		16

SECOND YEAR

HIST 201, 202, 207, 208 (OR)	ENGL 203, 204, 205 (OR) 206	3
POSC 203	PSYC 310	3
ENVR 101, SCNC 101, 102, (OR) 103.....	PSYC 330	3
SOCL 209.....	SOCS 293	3
RESTRICTED ELECTIVE.....	RESTRICTED ELECTIVE	3
Total Hours - Fall Semester.....	Total Hours - Spring Semester	16

THIRD YEAR

MATH 256	HIST 201, 202, 207, 208 (OR)	
PSYC UPPER LEVEL.....	POSC 203.....	3
RESTRICTED ELECTIVE.....	PSYC 450	3
ELECTIVES.....	SOCS 490	3
Total Hours Spring Semester	ELECTIVES	6
	Total Hours - Spring Semester	15

FOURTH YEAR

PSYC 493	PSYC UPPER LEVEL	6
PSYC UPPER LEVEL.....	RESTRICTED ELECTIVE	3
RESTRICTED ELECTIVE.....	ELECTIVES	6
ELECTIVES.....	Total Hours - Spring Semester	15
Total Hours - Fall Semester.....		

**BACHELOR OF ARTS IN EDUCATION
SOCIAL STUDIES (5-Adult)**

GSU 100 The First Year Experience 0 hour

All degree seeking students are required to take GSU 100 during their first semester.

General Education Requirements 39 hours

Students must take CSCI 267, GEOG 203, HIST 207, POSC 203, SCNC 101 and PED 201 as part of the General Education requirements.

Content Specialization Courses 41 hours

ECON 201	Principles of Microeconomics	3
ECON 202	Principles of Macroeconomics	3
GEOG 203	World Regional Geography	
HIST 201	History of World Cultures I	3
HIST 202	History of World Cultures II	3
HIST 207	United States History to 1877	
HIST 208	U.S. History since 1877	3
HIST 303	West Virginia History	3
HIST 335	Recent United States History	3
HIST 351	European History Seminar (OR)	
HIST 352	World History Seminar (OR)	
HIST 354	Concepts and Methods Seminar	3
POSC 203	American National Government	
POSC 204	State and Local Government	3
POSC 304	Comparative Government (OR)	
POSC 401	International Relations	3
POSC 390	Introduction to Public Administration (OR)	
SOCL 390	Introduction to Public Administration	3
PSYC 201	General Psychology	3
SOCL 205	Principles of Sociology	3
SOCS 225	Introduction to Global Studies	3

Restricted Elective 3 hours

HIST, POSC, PSYC, (OR) SOCL

Professional Education Courses 22 hours

CSCI 267	Computer Skills for Education	
EDSP 220	Introduction to Educating Exceptional and Culturally Diverse Students	3
EDSP 334	Strategies for Educating Exceptional and Culturally Diverse Students	3
EDUC 203	Foundations of Education	2
EDUC 205	Educational Psychology*	3
EDUC 310	Classroom Management and Teaching Strategies	3
EDUC 346	Teaching Social Studies in Middle and Adolescent Education (5-Adult)	3
EDUC 412	Curriculum and Assessment: Content (5-Adult)	2

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READ 317 Teaching Reading in Middle and Adolescent Education 3

Residency **18 hours**

EDUC 470 Residency I 6

EDUC 480 Residency II 11

EDUC 493 Capstone Assessment 1

General Elective **2 hours**

Total minimum hours required for degree **120 hours**

Education 203 and Education 205 are the only Professional Education courses which can be attempted without being admitted to a Program in Teacher Education.

*Before enrolling in Education 205 a student must have attempted PRAXIS I or be exempt from this requirement due to ACT or SAT score.

GATEWAY ASSESSMENT - ADMISSION TO TEACHER EDUCATION CAPSTONE ASSESSMENT - EDUCATION 493

**SOCIAL STUDIES (5-Adult)
SUGGESTED PLAN OF STUDY**

FIRST YEAR

ART 200, CART 200, FNAR 100 (OR) MUSC 200.....	3
CART 101	3
EDUC 203	2
ENGL 101	3
GSU 100	0
HIST 201	3
MATH 106 or higher.....	3
Total Hours - Fall Semester.....	17

**ATTEMPT PRAXIS CORE PRIOR TO
ENROLLING IN EDUC 205.**

CSCI 267	3
HIST 202	3
PED 201.....	1
SCNC 101, 102, (OR) 103.....	4
SOCL 205	3
Total Hours - Spring Semester	16

SECOND YEAR

ECON 201	3
EDSP 220	3
EDUC 205	3
ENGL 102	3
HIST 207	3
PSYC 201	3
Total Hours - Fall Semester.....	18

ECON 202	3
GEOG 203	3
HIST 208	3
POSC 203	3
SCNC 101, 102, (OR) 103.....	4
Total Hours - Spring Semester	16

**APPLY FOR ADMISSION TO
TEACHER EDUCATION**

THIRD YEAR

EDSP 334	3
EDUC 310	3
HIST 303	3
POSC 401	3
UPPER DIVISION HIST (EUROPEAN (OR) NON-WESTERN)	3
Total Hours - Fall Semester.....	15

EDUC 412	2
ENGL 203, 204, 205 (OR) 206	3
HIST 335	3
POSC 204	3
POSC 304	3
HIST 351, 352, 354	3
Total Hours - Spring Semester	14

PASS PRAXIS II EXAM

FOURTH YEAR

APPLY FOR STUDENT INTERNSHIP*

EDUC346	3
EDUC 470	6
READ 317	3
Total Hours - Fall Semester.....	12

EDUC 480*	11
EDUC 493	1
Total Hours - Spring Semester	12

***Residents may not enroll in any other.**

**BACHELOR OF ARTS IN EDUCATION
MIDDLE SCHOOL SPECIALIZATION**

This program can be combined (PreK-adult), (5-adult) or (9-adult) specialization.

Students must take GEOG 203, HIST 207 and POSC 203 as part of the General Education requirements.

SOCIAL STUDIES (5-9)			21 hours
ECON	201	Principles of Microeconomics	3
ECON	202	Principles of Macroeconomics	3
GEOG	203	World Regional Geography	
HIST	201	History of World Cultures I	3
HIST	202	History of World Cultures II	3
HIST	207	United States History to 1877	
HIST	208	United States History since 1877	3
HIST	303	West Virginia History	3
POSC	203	American National Government	
SOCL	205	Principles of Sociology	3
EDUC	346	Teaching Social Studies in Middle and Adolescent Education (5-Adult)	3

Required methods course for Social Studies (5-9) specialization when combined with (5-Adult) or (9-Adult) specialization.