General Social Sciences (BA/BS)

General social sciences is a multidisciplinary, undergraduate program that prepares students for success in an interconnected global environment. GSS majors learn how analyze social issues using research and critical thinking. They also develop innovative problem-solving skills, which are applicable towards professional fields like business, government, law, and education. The GSS curriculum provides flexibility in both class schedules and coursework. This allows students to tailor their educations according to their interests, and to balance multiple academic or personal pursuits in their lives.

Applied Economics, Business, and Society (https://catalog.uoregon.edu/archive/2025-2026/arts-sciences/social-sciences/gen-soc-sci/ug-gen-soc-sci/#conc-aebs)

This concentration combines technical training in business with the analytical training of the liberal arts. It draws heavily from courses in the business college and the economics department to offer specific business skills while exploring how business functions in society, on the national level, and in the global context. This concentration is designed specifically for students who plan to work in business or to pursue a master of business administration degree.

Crime, Law, and Society (https://catalog.uoregon.edu/archive/2025-2026/arts-sciences/social-sciences/gen-soc-sci/ug-gen-soc-sci/#conc-cls)

This concentration provides broad exposure to problems that confront society on the causes and consequences of, and policies on, crime, offering preparation for students with an interest in criminology, law practice, law enforcement, or social services.

Globalization, Environment, and Policy (https://catalog.uoregon.edu/archive/2025-2026/arts-sciences/social-sciences/gen-soc-sci/ug-gen-soc-sci/#conc-gep)

This concentration focuses on broad social-political and environmental issues at the regional, national, and global levels, as well as the policy planning required to meet these issues within an interdisciplinary context. The globalization concentration provides training for students planning to work in green industry, government, NGOs, and environmental organizations. In addition, the concentration prepares students to earn graduate degrees in planning, public management, policy studies, or other applied social sciences with a global emphasis.

Social Studies Teaching (https://catalog.uoregon.edu/archive/2025-2026/arts-sciences/social-sciences/gen-soc-sci/ug-gen-soc-sci/#conc-sst)

This concentration prepares students with the course requirements for admission to the graduate teacher licensure program at the University of Oregon—UO Teach. This concentration does not, in and of itself, lead to a teaching license; rather, it provides a well-defined content so that students are prepared to enroll in a graduate program to become licensed to teach social studies at the middle or high school level.

General social science majors are encouraged to consult with their advisors at least once a year to ensure their remaining course work is structured to meet all the requirements for the major. Students should notify the General Social Science Program office of their intention to graduate at least one term before the proposed graduation date.

General Social Sciences is a multidisciplinary, undergraduate program that prepares students for success in an interconnected global environment. GSS majors learn how to analyze social issues. GSS majors take courses on specific social topics from a variety of disciplinary perspectives. Students can also earn course credit for internships in their desired fields. The curriculum is divided into 4 distinct concentrations:
- Applied Economics, Business and Society (AEBS)
- Crime, Law, and Society (CLS)
- Globalization, Environment, and Policy (GEP)
- Social Science Teaching (SST)

Like many disciplines in the liberal arts, the General Social Sciences program (GSS) fosters the development of students as globally conscious equity-minded citizens and professionals.

Program Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this program, students will be able to:

- Analyze and evaluate fundamental features of society, such as social conflict, inequalities, institutions, group relations, the experiences of individuals, and/or human interactions with the earth's natural environment.
- Synthesize, analyze, and assess the validity of qualitative, quantitative, and/or spatial data using social scientific methods.
- Construct an evidence-based argument.
- Describe how power, agency, and authority are constituted, disseminated, and exercised, including similarities and differences within and across groups, countries, and in the international arena.
- Appreciate and seek to understand myriad cultural, ethnic, gender, and socio-economic perspectives and experiences.
- Recognize and clearly articulate the career competencies they have developed as an undergraduate.

GSS majors take courses on specific social topics from a variety of disciplinary perspectives. Students can also earn course credit for internships in their desired fields. The curriculum is divided into 4 distinct concentrations:

- Applied Economics, Business, and Society (p. 2)
- Crime, Law, and Society (p. 2)
  - A GSS-CLS major will not be permitted to declare Criminology minor.

- Globalization, Environment, and Policy (p. 4)
- Social Science Teaching (p. 5)

Each concentration serves as a central focus for required and elective courses within the major. After declaring a concentration, students select courses from a wide range of social sciences departments as well as the university's professional schools (Business, Education, Journalism, and Planning and Public Policy Management).

Overlap Policy

GSS will accept three courses that overlap with each major and three courses that overlap with each minor. For additional information, meet with an advisor.

General Social Sciences Major - Applied Economics, Business, and Society

Code	Title	Credits
Preliminary Core		
BA 101Z	Introduction to Business	4
EC 201Z	Principles of Microeconomics	4
EC 202Z	Principles of Macroeconomics	4
Methods Requirement		
BA 215	Accounting: Language of Business Decisions	4
or BA 211Z	Principles of Financial Accounting	
STAT 243Z	Elementary Statistics I	4
or SOC 312	Statistical Analysis in Sociology	
or MATH 425	Statistical Methods I	
Research Methods Requirement		
Complete one of the following courses.		4
GEOG 391	Social Science Inquiry and Research	
PS 102	Thinking Like a Social Scientist	
SOC 311	Research Methods	
PPPM 415	Policy and Planning Analysis	
Specialization Requirements		
At least 8 credits from the following courses must be outside of Economics and Business.		28
ANTH 209	Business Anthropology	
ANTH 311	Anthropology of Globalization	
ASIA 480	Chinese Economy: Transition, Development, Globalization	
BA 316	Management: Creating Value through People	
BA 317	Marketing: Creating Value for Customers	
BA 318	Finance: Creating Value through Capital	
CAS 417	Career Readiness [1, 2]	
EC (All 300+ and 400+ courses approved, except 400 – 409.		
ENVS 345	Environmental Ethics	
GEOG 342	Geography of Globalization	
GEOG 442	Urban Geography	
GEOG 448	Tourism and Development	
GEOG 465	Environment and Development	
GEOG 468	Contemporary Food Systems	
GLBL 431	Cross-Cultural Communication	
GLBL 270	Globalization and the Global Economy	
GLBL 420	Global Community Development	
GLBL 422	Aid to Developing Countries	
HIST 362	History of US Cities	
HIST 363	United States Business History	
HIST 383	Soccer and Society in Latin America	
HIST 463	American Economic History: [Topic]	
JCOM 304	The Media Business	
PHIL 120	Ethics of Enterprise and Exchange	
PPPM 370	Global Sustainable Development and Policy	
PPPM 445	Green Cities	
PPPM 446	Socioeconomic Development Planning	
PS 275	Legal Process An Introduction to the American Judiciary	
PS 210	Politics of Business	
PS 337	The Politics of Development	
PS 340	International Political Economy	
PS 478	Globalization and Development	
SOC 346	Work and Occupations	
SOC 446	Issues in Sociology of Work: [Topic]	
WGS 341	Women, Work, and Class	
Total Credits		**52**

[1] Applies to the non-economic and business credits
[2] We recommend taking a 2-credit internship for students who take CAS 417. Internship must be approved by the GSS program Director.

Additional Requirements

Students must complete 52 credits with a minimum of 24 upper-division credits within the major.

At least 24 graded credits of major coursework must be completed in residence at the University of Oregon to qualify for a bachelor's degree in General Social Sciences.

Courses must be completed with a grade of C- or better. A maximum of one course with a grade of 'P' or "P*' may be used.

General Social Sciences Major - Crime, Law, and Society Concentration

Code	Title	Credits
Preliminary Core		
Must Take:		
SOC 204Z	Introduction to Sociology	4
or SOC 207	Social Inequality	
PS 275	Legal Process An Introduction to the American Judiciary	4
ES 101	Introduction to Ethnic Studies	4
Methods Requirement		
Complete one of the following courses:		4
GEOG 391	Social Science Inquiry and Research	
PPPM 415	Policy and Planning Analysis	

PS 102	Thinking Like a Social Scientist	
SOC 311	Research Methods	
Specialization Requirements		
Must take 32 credits from the following courses:		32
ANTH 176	Introduction to Forensic Anthropology	
ANTH 278	Science, Race, and Society	
ANTH 315	Gender, Folklore, Inequality	
ANTH 329	Immigration and Farmworkers	
ANTH 425	Migrant, Citizen, Refugee	
ANTH 438	Race and Gender in Latin America	
ANTH 322	Anthropology of the United States	
ANTH 366	Human Osteology Laboratory	
ANTH 473	Advanced Forensic Anthropology	
ANTH 479	Taphonomy: Bones, Bugs, and Burials	
CAS 417	Career Readiness [1]	
CRES 445	Conflicts of Incarceration	
ES 310	Race and Popular Culture: [Topic]	
ES 352	Social Equity and Criminal Justice	
ES 380	Race, Migration, and Rights	
ES 450	Race and Incarceration	
ES 452	Race and Ethnicity and the Law: [Topic]	
ES 460	Race, Culture, Empire: [Topic]	
FHS 483		
GEOG 201	World Regional Geography	
GEOG 343	Society, Culture, and Place	
GEOG 442	Urban Geography	
GEOG 444	Cultural Geography	
GEOG 445	Culture, Ethnicity, and Nationalism	
GLBL 250	Value Systems in Cross-Cultural Perspective	
GLBL 370	International Human Rights	
GLBL 431	Cross-Cultural Communication	
GLBL 434		
JCOM 302	Communication Law	
JCOM 303	Media Ethics	
LING 201	Language and Power in the United States	
LING 415	Semantics	
LING 420	Language, Mind and Society	
PHIL 216	Philosophy and Cultural Diversity	
PHIL 309	Global Justice	
PHIL 344	Introduction to Philosophy of Law	
PHIL 425	Philosophy of Language	
PPPM 321	Inclusive Urbanism	
PPPM 418	Introduction to Public Law	
PS 206	Ethics, Identity, and Power	
PS 316	Black Lives Matter and American Democracy	
PS 319	The Politics of the Body	
PS 348	Women and Politics	
PS 368	Gender in the Law	
PS 371	United States Congress	
PS 375		
PS 380	Gender and Politics in Developing Countries	
PS 449	Racial Politics in the United States	
PS 465	LGBT Rights in the Courts	
PS 466	Civil Rights in Post-Warren Era	
PS 470	Constitutional Law	
PS 472	Matters of Life and Death	
PS 484	United States Supreme Court	
PS 485	Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	
PS 491	Politics of Everyday Life	
PSY 306	Social Psychology	
PSY 309	Psychopathology	
PSY 366	Culture and Mental Health	
PSY 380	Psychology of Gender	
SOC 280	Introduction to Criminology	
SOC 313	Social Issues and Movements	
SOC 328	Self and Society	
SOC 330	Sociology of the Family	
SOC 345	Race and Ethnicity	
SOC 355	Sociology of Gender	
SOC 370	Urban Sociology	
SOC 380	Deviance, Social Control, and Crime	
SOC 425		
SOC 445	Sociology of Race and Ethnicity: [Topic]	
SOC 451	Social Stratification	
SOC 452	Issues of Migration: [Topic]	
SOC 484	Issues in Deviance, Control, and Crime: [Topic]	
SPED 418	Disrupting the School to Prison Pipeline	
WGS 221	Bodies and Power	
WGS 261	Gender and Popular Culture	
WGS 321	Feminist Perspectives on Identity, Race, Culture	
WGS 341	Women, Work, and Class	
WGS 451	Global Perspectives on Gender: [Topic]	
Total Credits		**48**

[1] We recommend taking a 2-credit internship for students who take CAS 417. Internship must be approved by the GSS program Director.

Additional Requirements

Students must complete 48 credits with a minimum of 24 upper-division credits within the major.

At least 24 graded credits of major coursework must be completed in residence at the University of Oregon to qualify for a bachelor's degree in General Social Sciences.

Courses must be completed with a grade of C- or better. A maximum of one course with a grade of ‘P’ or ‘P*’ may be used.

General Social Sciences Major - Globalization, Environment, and Policy Concentration

Code	Title	Credits
Preliminary Core (Complete all 3 courses)		
GEOG 141	The Natural Environment	4
GEOG 142	The Human Planet	4
PS 297	Introduction to Environmental Politics	4
Methods Requirement (Complete one of the following courses)		**4**
GEOG 391	Social Science Inquiry and Research	
PPPM 415	Policy and Planning Analysis	
PS 102	Thinking Like a Social Scientist	
SOC 311	Research Methods	
Breadth Requirements (Complete two courses from the following list)		**8**
ANTH 110	Introduction to Traditional Ecological Knowledge	
ANTH 161	Introduction to Cultural Anthropology	
EC 201Z	Principles of Microeconomics	
ENVS 201	Introduction to Environmental Studies: Social Sciences	
GEOG 201	World Regional Geography	
GEOG 250	Geographies of Outdoor Adventure	
GLBL 240	Perspectives on International Development	
GLBL 250	Value Systems in Cross-Cultural Perspective	
GLBL 260		
GLBL 280		
HIST 273	Introduction to Global Environmental History	
JCOM 201	Making Sense of Media	
LAW 201	Introduction to Environmental Law and Policy	
LING 211	Languages of the World	
PPPM 201	Introduction to Public Policy	
PPPM 202	Healthy Communities	
PS 205	Introduction to International Relations	
Specialization Requirements		
Must complete 24 credits from the following courses:		24
ANTH 274	Animals and People	
ANTH 329	Immigration and Farmworkers	
ASIA 480	Chinese Economy: Transition, Development, Globalization	
CAS 417	Career Readiness [1]	
EC 333	Resource and Environmental Economic Issues [2]	
ENVS 335	Allocating Scarce Environmental Resources [2]	
ENVS 345	Environmental Ethics	
ENVS 350	Ecological Footprint of Energy Generation	
ENVS 411	Environmental Issues: [Topic]	
ENVS 429	Environmental Leadership: [Topic]	
ENVS 430	Nature in Popular Culture	
ENVS 435	Environmental Justice	
ENVS 450	Political Ecology	
ENVS 455	Sustainability	
ENVS 459	Water, Public Health, and the Environment	
ENVS 465	Wetland Ecology and Management	
ENVS 467	Sustainable Agriculture	
GEOG 321	Climatology	
GEOG 322	Geomorphology	
GEOG 323	Biogeography	
GEOG 341	Population and Environment	
GEOG 342	Geography of Globalization	
GEOG 360	Watershed Science and Policy	
GEOG 361	Global Environmental Change	
GEOG 410	Experimental Course: [Topic]	
GEOG 421	Advanced Climatology: [Topic]	
GEOG 425	Hydrology and Water Resources	
GEOG 430	Long-Term Environmental Change	
GEOG 441	Political Geography	
GEOG 448	Tourism and Development	
GEOG 465	Environment and Development	
GEOG 468	Contemporary Food Systems	
GLBL 323		
GLBL 345	African Contemporary Issues and Concerns	
GLBL 360	International Cooperation and Conflict	
GLBL 370	International Human Rights	
GLBL 421	Gender and International Development	
GLBL 423		
GLBL 425	Global Food Security	
GLBL 432		
GLBL 433		
GLBL 442	South Asia: Development and Social Change	
GLBL 444	Southeast Asia Today	
GLBL 446	Development and Social Change in Latin America	
HIST 378	American Environmental History to 1890	
HIST 415	Advanced World History: [Topic]	
HIST 473	American Environmental History: [Topic]	
JCOM 301	Gender, Media and Diversity	
JCOM 306	Global Communications	
JCOM 370	Public Relations Fundamentals	
LA 410	Experimental Course: [Topic]	
PHIL 340	Environmental Philosophy	
PPPM 331	Environmental Management	
PPPM 340	Climate Change Policy	
PPPM 370	Global Sustainable Development and Policy	
PPPM 407	Seminar: [Topic]	
PPPM 408	Workshop: [Topic]	
PPPM 442	Sustainable Urban Development	
PPPM 443	Natural Resource Policy	

PPPM 444	Environmental Policy	
PS 302	States' Rights and Wrongs	
PS 304	Democracy, Dictators, and Development	
PS 320	International Organization	
PS 330	Governments and Politics in Latin America	
PS 337	The Politics of Development	
PS 367	Politics, Science, and Climate Change	
PS 380	Gender and Politics in Developing Countries	
PS 477	International Environmental Politics	
SOC 304	Community, Environment, and Society	
SOC 416	Issues in Environmental Sociology: [Topic]	
WGS 351	Decolonial Feminisms	
WGS 432	Gender, Environment, and Development	
Total Credits		**48**

[1] We recommend taking a 2-credit internship for students who take Career Readiness (CAS 417). Internship must be approved by the GSS program Director.

[2] EC 333 and ENVS 335 cover much of the same material. Students are discouraged from taking both.

**Topic course is subject to title change; only specific titles approved. Contact GSS director for approval.

Additional Requirements

Students must complete 48 credits with a minimum of 24 upper division credits within the major.

At least 24 graded credits of major coursework must be completed in residence at the University of Oregon to qualify for a bachelor's degree in General Social Sciences.

Courses must be completed with a grade of C- or better. A maximum of one course with a grade of ‘P’ or ‘P*’ may be used.

General Social Sciences Major - Social Studies Teaching Concentration

Code	Title	Credits
Preliminary Core		
1) World History, Geography, Sociology, Psychology and Anthropology		
Choose any 2 of the following courses:		8
ANTH 150	World Archaeology	
ANTH 161	Introduction to Cultural Anthropology	
GEOG 201	World Regional Geography	
GEOG 202	Geography of Europe	
GEOG 208	Geography of the United States and Canada	
GEOG 209	Geography of the Middle East and North Africa	
HIST 102	Making Modern Europe	
HIST 103	Europe and the World	
HIST 104	World History Antiquity to 1500	
HIST 105	World History	
HIST 106	World History	
PSY 201Z	Introduction to Psychology I	
PSY 202Z	Introduction to Psychology II	
SOC 204Z	Introduction to Sociology	
SOC 207	Social Inequality	
2) European and World History		
Choose any 2 of the following courses [1]		8
European History		
HIST 102	Making Modern Europe	
HIST 103	Europe and the World	
HIST 301	Modern Europe	
HIST 302	Modern Europe	
HIST 303	Modern Europe	
HIST 320		
HIST 321		
HIST 337		
HIST 342	German History: [Topic]	
399 and 400-level courses with approval from GSS director		
World History		
HIST 104	World History Antiquity to 1500	
HIST 105	World History	
HIST 106	World History	
HIST 325	Precolonial Africa	
HIST 346	Imperial Russia	
HIST 347	Soviet Union and Contemporary Russia	
HIST 380	Latin America	
HIST 381	Latin America	
HIST 382	Latin America, 1910 to the Present	
HIST 386	India	
HIST 387	Early China	
399 and 400-level courses with approval from GSS director		
3) US History		
Choose any 3 of the following courses:		12
HIST 201	Inventing America	
HIST 202	Building the United States	
HIST 203	American Century	
HIST 250	African American History	
HIST 251	African American History	
HIST 308	History of Women in the United States I	
HIST 309	History of Women in the United States II	
HIST 351	American Radicalism	
HIST 352	The United States in the 1960s	
HIST 363	United States Business History	
HIST 388	Vietnam War and the United States	
H399 and 400-level courses with approval from GSS director		
4) Economics		**8**
EC 201Z	Principles of Microeconomics	
EC 202Z	Principles of Macroeconomics	
5) Government and Political Science		
Must take 2 of the following courses:		8

PS 201	United States Politics	
PS 206	Ethics, Identity, and Power	
PS 302	States' Rights and Wrongs	
PS 304	Democracy, Dictators, and Development	
PS 308	United States Political Thought	
PS 309	Political Ideologies	
PS 347		
PS 348	Women and Politics	
PS 386	United States Social Movements and Political Change	
6) Research Methods Requirement		
Complete one of the following courses:		4
GEOG 391	Social Science Inquiry and Research	
PPPM 415	Policy and Planning Analysis	
PS 102	Thinking Like a Social Scientist	
SOC 311	Research Methods	
7) Specialization and Upper-Division Requirements		
Must take at least one course from each of the following three areas: US History, Economics, and US Political Science. [2]		
Anthropology (ANTH)		
ANTH 315	Gender, Folklore, Inequality	
ANTH 320	Native North Americans	
ANTH 322	Anthropology of the United States	
ANTH 329	Immigration and Farmworkers	
ANTH 330	Hunters and Gatherers	
ANTH 331	Cultures of India and South Asia	
ANTH 340	Fundamentals of Archaeology	
ANTH 343	Pacific Islands Archaeology	
ANTH 344	Oregon Archaeology	
ANTH 365	Food and Culture	
ANTH 429		
ANTH 434	Indigenous Peoples of South America	
ANTH 442	Northwest Coast Archaeology	
ANTH 443		
ANTH 448	Gender and Archaeology	
Economics (EC)		
EC 327	Introduction to Game Theory	
EC 330	Urban and Regional Economic Problems	
EC 333	Resource and Environmental Economic Issues	
EC 340	Issues in Public Economics	
EC 350	Labor Market Issues	
EC 360	Issues in Industrial Organization	
EC 370	Money and Banking	
EC 380	International Economic Issues	
EC 390	Problems and Issues in the Developing Economies	
Geography (GEOG)		
GEOG 341	Population and Environment	
GEOG 342	Geography of Globalization	
GEOG 343	Society, Culture, and Place	
GEOG 441	Political Geography	
GEOG 442	Urban Geography	
GEOG 465	Environment and Development	
GEOG 471		
Global Studies (GLBL)		
GLBL 345	African Contemporary Issues and Concerns	
GLBL 399	Special Studies: [Topic]	
GLBL 421	Gender and International Development	
GLBL 422	Aid to Developing Countries	
GLBL 423		
GLBL 433		
GLBL 442	South Asia: Development and Social Change	
GLBL 444	Southeast Asia Today	
GLBL 445	Development and Social Change in Sub-Saharan Africa	
GLBL 446	Development and Social Change in Latin America	
US History (HIST)		
HIST 308	History of Women in the United States I	
HIST 309	History of Women in the United States II	
HIST 351	American Radicalism	
HIST 352	The United States in the 1960s	
HIST 388	Vietnam War and the United States	
HIST 449		
HIST 455	Colonial American History	
HIST 456		
HIST 457	19th-Century United States: [Topic]	
HIST 463	American Economic History: [Topic]	
HIST 466	The American West	
HIST 468	The Pacific Northwest	
HIST 469	American Indian History: [Topic]	
HIST 473	American Environmental History: [Topic]	
Non-US History (HIST)		
HIST 320		
HIST 321		
HIST 325	Precolonial Africa	
HIST 326	Colonial and Postcolonial Africa	
HIST 342	German History: [Topic]	
HIST 347	Soviet Union and Contemporary Russia	
HIST 380	Latin America	
HIST 381	Latin America	
HIST 382	Latin America, 1910 to the Present	
HIST 386	India	
HIST 387	Early China	
HIST 396	Samurai in Film	
HIST 412	Ancient Greece: [Topic]	
HIST 414	Ancient Rome: [Topic]	
HIST 415	Advanced World History: [Topic]	
HIST 416	Advanced Women's History: [Topic]	
HIST 417	Society and Culture in Modern Africa: [Topic]	
HIST 419	African Regional Histories: [Topic]	

HIST 427	Intellectual History of Modern Europe: [Topic]
HIST 428	Europe in the 20th Century: [Topic]
HIST 441	16th-Century European Reformations
HIST 443	Modern Germany: [Topic]
HIST 483	Latin America: [Topic]
HIST 487	China: [Topic]
HIST 490	Japan: [Topic]
HIST 491	Medicine and Society in Premodern Japan
HIST 498	Early Japanese Culture and Society: [Topic]
US Political Science (PS)	
PS 302	States' Rights and Wrongs
PS 304	Democracy, Dictators, and Development
PS 308	United States Political Thought
PS 309	Political Ideologies
PS 316	Black Lives Matter and American Democracy
PS 319	The Politics of the Body
PS 348	Women and Politics
PS 349	Mass Media and American Politics
PS 352	Political Parties and Elections
PS 355	Oregon Government and Politics
PS 368	Gender in the Law
PS 371	United States Congress
PS 375	
PS 386	United States Social Movements and Political Change
PS 390	American Indian Politics
PS 449	Racial Politics in the United States
PS 467	The United States Presidency
PS 470	Constitutional Law
PS 484	United States Supreme Court
PS 485	Civil Rights and Civil Liberties
Non-US Political Science (PS)	
PS 310	Roots of Democracy
PS 311	Sovereignty and Revolution
PS 312	Shadows of Modernity
PS 320	International Organization
PS 324	European Politics
PS 326	United States Foreign Policy I
PS 337	The Politics of Development
PS 340	International Political Economy
PS 342	Politics of China
PS 346	Terrorism and Weapons Proliferation
PS 350	Politics and Film
PS 378	Games in Politics
PS 433	Marxism and Radical Thought
PS 440	Causes and Prevention of War
PS 455	Theories of International Politics
PS 475	Politics of the European Union
PS 477	International Environmental Politics
PS 479	U.S. Interventions in Developing Nations
PS 480	Introduction to Rational Choice
PS 491	Politics of Everyday Life
Psychology (PSY)	
PSY 304	Biopsychology
PSY 308	Developmental Psychology
PSY 348	Music and the Brain
PSY 366	Culture and Mental Health
PSY 380	Psychology of Gender
PSY 383	Psychoactive Drugs
Sociology (SOC)	
SOC 301	American Society
SOC 304	Community, Environment, and Society
SOC 310	Social Theory
SOC 313	Social Issues and Movements
SOC 317	Sociology of the Mass Media
SOC 328	Self and Society
SOC 330	Sociology of the Family
SOC 345	Race and Ethnicity
SOC 346	Work and Occupations
SOC 355	Sociology of Gender
SOC 380	Deviance, Social Control, and Crime
Recommended Courses [3]	

[1] We recommend that students select one course from each of the two categories (European and world history).

[2] The remaining two courses must be taken exclusively in one area of concentration.
400-level courses from several areas of specialization are not listed below due to the significant number of prerequisites. However, you may take 400-level courses as substitutes for 300-level courses with approval from a General Social Science adviser

[3] It is recommended (but not required) that students take one to three courses in Education Studies in preparation for teacher training. Recommended courses include EDST 111, and 420. Additional courses might include EDST 342, 343, 399, 451, 452, 453, 454,455, 456, 457.

Additional Requirements

Students must complete 68 credits with a minimum of 40 upper division credits within the major.

At least 24 graded credits of major coursework must be completed in residence at the University of Oregon to qualify for a bachelor's degree in General Social Sciences.

Courses subject to change as UOTeach/Oregon/National Content standards change.

Courses cannot overlap between sections (i.e., section 1 & 2 or section 2 & 6, etc.).

Courses must be completed with a grade of C- or better. A maximum of one course with a grade of ‘P’ or ‘P*’ may be used.

Four-Year Degree Plan

The degree plan shown is only a sample of how students may complete their degrees in four years. There are alternative ways. Students should consult their advisor to determine the best path for them.

Bachelor of Arts in General Social Sciences

Course	Title	Credits	Milestones
First Year			
Fall			
BA 101Z	Introduction to Business	4	
WR 121Z	Composition I	4	
First term of 1st-year second-language sequence		5	
Area-satisfying course		4	
	Credits	**17**	
Winter			
EC 201Z	Principles of Microeconomics	4	
WR 122Z or WR 123	Composition II or College Composition III	4	
Second term of 1st-year second-language sequence		5	
Area-satisfying course		4	
	Credits	**17**	
Spring			
EC 202Z	Principles of Macroeconomics	4	
Third term of 1st-year second-language sequence		5	
Area-satisfying courses		8	
	Credits	**17**	
Second Year			
Fall			
BA 215	Accounting: Language of Business Decisions	4	
First term of 2nd-year second-language sequence		4	
Area-satisfying course		4	
Course in a specialization area		4	
Consider a minor, a double major, study abroad			
	Credits	**16**	
Winter			
STAT 243Z	Elementary Statistics I	4	
Second term of 2nd-year second-language sequence		4	
Area-satisfying course		4	
Course in a specialization area		4	
	Credits	**16**	
Spring			
Research methods course		4	
Third term of 2nd-year second-language sequence			
Area-satisfying course		4	
Course in a specialization area		4	
	Credits	**12**	
Third Year			
Fall			
Course in a specialization area		12	
Area-satisfying course		4	
Consider career preparation, internships, career counseling, study abroad, resume-building			
	Credits	**16**	
Winter			
Elective courses		12	
Course in a specialization area		4	
	Credits	**16**	
Spring			
Elective courses		16	
	Credits	**16**	
Fourth Year			
Fall			
Elective courses		8	
Area-satisfying courses		8	
Consider applying for employment, internships, Graduate School, degree			
	Credits	**16**	
Winter			
Elective courses		16	
	Credits	**16**	
Spring			
Elective courses		5	
	Credits	**5**	
	Total Credits	**180**	

Bachelor of Science in General Social Science

Course	Title	Credits	Milestones
First Year			
Fall			
BA 101Z	Introduction to Business	4	
WR 121Z	Composition I	4	
Mathematics course		4	
Area-satisfying course		4	
	Credits	**16**	
Winter			
EC 201Z	Principles of Microeconomics	4	
WR 122Z or WR 123	Composition II or College Composition III	4	
Mathematics course		4	
Area-satisfying course		4	
	Credits	**16**	
Spring			
EC 202Z	Principles of Macroeconomics	4	
Mathematics course		4	
Area-satisfying courses		8	
	Credits	**16**	
Second Year			
Fall			
BA 215	Accounting: Language of Business Decisions	4	
Elective course		4	

Area-satisfying course	4
Course in a specialization area	4
Consider a minor, a double major, study abroad	
Credits	**16**
Winter	
STAT 243Z Elementary Statistics I	4
Elective course	4
Course in a specialization area	4
Area-satisfying course	4
Credits	**16**
Spring	
Research methods course	4
Area-satisfying course	4
Elective course	4
Course in a specialization area	4
Credits	**16**
Third Year	
Fall	
Area-satisfying course	4
Courses in a specialization area	12
Credits	**16**
Winter	
Elective courses	12
Course in a specialization area	4
Credits	**16**
Spring	
Elective courses	16
Credits	**16**
Fourth Year	
Fall	
Area-satisfying courses	8
Elective courses	8
Consider applying for employment, internships, Graduate School, degree	
Meet with an advisor	
Credits	**16**
Winter	
Elective course	16
Credits	**16**
Spring	
Elective course	4
Credits	**4**
Total Credits	**180**