

BS in Social Science



Be a **well-rounded** student with a customizable major with a variety of social science fields of study.

Choose an 18-hour Primary Social Science field.
Choose at least two other social science subjects to complete your remaining 30 hours.

How “well-rounded” can work for

Transferable Skills:

- Understanding individuals, groups and cultural behaviors
- Oral and written communication
- Research
- Active listening
- Problem-solving
- Critical Thinking

Employment Opportunities:

- Social Scientists
- Helping professionals
- Anthropologists
- Museum employees
- Non-profits
- ...and many more!

The Social Science Fields:

Anthropology★

Economics

History★

Philosophy

Political Science

Psychology★

Human Geography

Social Work★

Sociology★



Q: Can I complete a Social Science major online?

A: With certain primary fields and strategic planning, yes you can! The starred fields above can be completed online.

When choosing your Primary field and supporting Social Science subject be strategic about the fields and specific classes that give you the needed transferable skills to make you more marketable in the career direction you are pursuing.

Approved Social Science Field Choices:

- Anthropology (ANTH) ★
Geography (GEOG) Human Geography Only
Economics (ECON)
- Political Science (PSCI)
Psychology (PSYC) ★
Sociology (SOCI) ★
- History (HIST) ★
Philosophy (PHIL)
Social Work (SOWK) ★

Primary Field (18 hours in ONE Social Science Field):
(12 of the 18 hours must be advanced, 3000-4000 level) *
Courses:

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30 hours in AT LEAST TWO other Social Science Fields OUTSIDE of chosen primary field (see approved list):

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Other Course Requirements (from a predetermined list under Resources at socialscience.unt.edu)

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Note: As an exception, foreign language (2040 and 2050) or Study Abroad credit may be substituted for this requirement.

Other requirements:

- 48 total hours in the major
- ***At least 27 of the 48 hours in the major must be advanced level (3000-4000 level)**
- ***At least 12 of the 27 advanced hours must be in the 18-hour concentration**
- 120 total semester hours, including 30 hours at UNT, required
- 42 total advanced hours, including 24 advanced hours, required
- At least 12 total advanced hours must be earned at UNT in the major
- Completion of the University Core, College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences requirements, as well as all degree requirements listed in the catalog.
- Minimum 2.0 UNT GPA and a minimum 2.0 overall GPA are required to file for graduation and to graduate
- A completed copy of a Degree Audit Request Form must be filed with the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences Dean’s Office for Undergraduate Advising in GAB 220 before the student’s official degree plan can be made.

Undergraduate Academic Certificates can be earned with the Social Science major to help focus on potential career interests. (See catalog.unt.edu, Majors, Minors, and Certificates for specific requirements)

[Africana Studies certificate](#)

[American Studies certificate](#)

[Applied Anthropology certificate](#)

[Applied Sociology and Career Readiness certificate](#)

[Jewish Studies certificate](#)

[Latina/o and Mexican American Studies certificate](#)

[Leadership Studies certificate](#)

[Legal Studies certificate](#)

[Medieval and Renaissance](#)

[Studies certificate](#)

[Peace Studies certificate](#)

[Social Justice Studies certificate](#)

[Social Science and Popular Culture certificate](#)

[Sustainability certificate](#)

[Trauma-Informed Care certificate](#) ★

[UNT Peace Corps Prep Certificate](#)

Socialscience.unt.edu

Socialscience.unt.edu is a website designed to provide you with additional information about the major.

The “Resources” tab will provide:

- The Other Course Requirements (OCR/yellow sheet) list of classes that emphasize the transferable skills of Profession Communication and/or Research & Analytical Methods.
- Handouts that have suggestions for advanced courses in departments that can have more pre-requisites or focus on a certain category. For example, Human Geography examines how people live, their cultures, and how they use their resources, and the impact of their activities on the Earth while Physical Geography focuses on the natural environment, weather, and climate.
- How to increase your Marketability through Internships and Study Abroad opportunities and using the many additional resources available to you as an UNT and even an alum, once you have graduated.

Other Helpful Resources for Social Science Majors

- **Advising.unt.edu** – Find campus resources and learn how to calculate your GPA!
- **CareerCenter.unt.edu** – Work with a Career Coach to explore careers, write your resume, prepare for interviews, and more! Career and internship fairs are hosted each semester. Internship and job opportunities are posted on Handshake.
- **Catalog.unt.edu** – Research Major, Minor, and Certificate requirements. Read course descriptions. Find community college equivalencies using the Texas Common Course Numbering System.
- **Facultyinfo.unt.edu** – View course syllabi and SPOT faculty evaluations from previous semesters.
- **Studentaffairs.unt.edu/student-org** – Find student organizations to network with students of similar interests/goals.
- **UCRS 2100** – One credit hour career development elective.
- **UCRS 4800** – Internship course available to Integrative Studies. May count as OCR or elective.