The University of Bridgeport’s Social Sciences major provides a foundation for advanced study in law, sociology, and criminal justice, international relations, political science, psychology, and history.

Social Sciences Overview

A Bachelor of Arts degree in the Social Sciences is designed to provide students with a liberal arts experience from the perspective of the social sciences. This program focuses on the human and behavioral aspects of the world. Students study the social sciences through an interdisciplinary exploration combined with an emphasis on the use of scientific method and research.

This program is innovative both in its interdisciplinary approach to subject matter and the options it offers students to pursue their goals, whether in graduate school or government or the Foreign Service, in international agencies or business, in the law, teaching or community service. Career opportunities traditionally available to liberal arts students are much enhanced by the flexibility that the Social Science major permits. In its interdisciplinary approach, its emphasis on breadth as well as depth of learning, and its focus on practical skills, this program prepares students for leadership roles in their communities and the world, and for self-fulfillment and success in their careers.

Social Sciences Careers

- Non Government Organization
- Civil Service
- Law Enforcement
- Risk Analyst
- Law Office Assistant
- Lobbyist
- Community Planner
- Market Researcher
- Teacher
- Human Resource Director

About UB

The University of Bridgeport is an international, doctoral-intensive, comprehensive university, offering award-winning academic programs in a variety of innovative undergraduate and graduate degree programs. Our 50-acre, seaside campus overlooks Long Island Sound on Connecticut’s corporate Gold Coast, and is within easy driving distance of New York City and Boston.

Our student-faculty ratio is 15:1, and our full- and part-time faculty members include Fulbright Scholars, National Science Foundation Fellows, Ford Fellows, National Endowment for the Humanities Fellows, American Council for Learned Societies Scholars and Phi Beta Kappa Scholars. Approximately 32 percent of our students are members of minorities and students from more than 80 countries live and learn within our community.
Program of Study

In addition to the University core requirements, the Social Sciences program requires 36 credit hours in the program core, 12-18 credit hours within one of the optional concentrations (sociology, political science, pre-law, history, international studies, and psychology), 12 credit hours within a foreign language, and 20 credit hours of free electives. Students are required to complete 120 credit hours prior to graduation.

Program Core Courses for Social Sciences
- Economics
- History
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Sociology
- SoSc 395 Thesis
- SoSc 300 Methods Seminar

Possible Courses for Social Science Minors
(Sociology, Political Science)
- SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology
- SOC 204 Marriage and Family
- PS 101 American Government
- PS 207 World Politics
- PS 209 Introduction to United Nations Studies

Possible Courses for Social Science Concentrations (Pre-law, History, International Studies, Psychology)
- SOC 315 Criminology
- PS 223 Introduction to the American Legal System
- HIST 207 American History I
- Phil 216 World Religions
- Psyc 303 Psychology of Personality
- Psyc 305 Social Psychology

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