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Degree: A.A. - Social Science
 Certificate: International Studies

Social Science Degree

The Social Science degree provides an interdisciplinary approach to academic studies. The purpose of the program is for students to gain an understanding of the interconnectedness of various scientific disciplines. The interdisciplinary approach enables students to understand how issues and events are shaped by diverse socio-economic, political, ecological, biological and geographical forces.

Requirements for Degree 18 Units

A minimum of 18 units from the following: 18

Transferable courses must be selected from four of the following areas: anthropology, economics, geography, history, philosophy, political science, psychology (except PSYC 335), and sociology. Courses used for General Education purposes cannot be used for this degree.

Associate Degree Requirements: The Social Science Associate in Arts (A.A.) Degree may be obtained by completion of the required program, plus general education requirements, plus sufficient electives to meet a 60-unit total. See ARC graduation requirements.

International Studies Certificate

The International Studies Certificate is designed to benefit students who are interested in international issues. Course work focuses on issues ranging from economy and trade to culture, politics, and environment from a transnational perspective.

Requirements for Certificate 29 Units

ANTH 310 Cultural Anthropology 3
 HIST 307 History of World Civilizations to 1500 (3) 3¹
 or HIST 308 History of World Civilizations, 1500 to Present (3)
 POLS 302 Introduction to Government: Foreign 3
 POLS 310 Introduction to International Relations 3

And a minimum of 8 units from the following: 8

Transfer level foreign language courses (numbered 300-499).

And a minimum of 9 units from the following: 9

ANTH 330 Magic, Witchcraft, and Religion (3)
 ARTH 322 Art History of the Non-Western World (3)
 ECON 302 Principles of Macroeconomics (3)
 ECON 304 Principles of Microeconomics (3)
 ENGLT 340 World Literature (3)
 ENGLT 341 World Literature (3)
 ENGLT 345 Mythologies of the World (3)
 GEOG 310 Human Geography: Exploring Earth's Cultural Landscapes (3)
 GEOG 320 World Regional Geography (3)
 HIST 300 History of Western Civilization (3)
 HIST 302 History of Western Civilization (3)
 HIST 305 Women in Western Civilization (3)
 HIST 307 History of World Civilizations to 1500 (3)
 HIST 308 History of World Civilizations, 1500 to Present (3)
 HIST 364 Asian Civilization (3)
 HIST 365 Asian Civilization (3)
 HIST 373 History of Mexico (3)
 HIST 480 History of Western Civilization - Honors (3)
 HIST 481 History of Western Civilization - Honors (3)

HUM 300 Classical Humanities (3)
 HUM 310 Modern Humanities (3)
 HUM 320 Asian Humanities (3)
 HUM 330 Humanities of the Americas (3)
 MUFHL 330 World Music (3)
 PHIL 353 Religions of the Far East (3)
 PHIL 354 Religions of the West (3)
 POLS 301 Introduction to Government: United States (3)
 POLS 322 Political Ideologies (3)
 SOC 300 Introductory Sociology (3)
 SOCSOC 310 International Studies - Peace and Conflict Studies (3)
 SOCSOC 312 International Studies - Current International Development Issues (3)

¹The history course used to meet this requirement may not be used towards the 9 unit elective requirement.

SOCSOC 310 International Studies - Peace and Conflict Studies 3 Units

Advisory: ENGWR 102 or 103, and ENGRD 116 with a grade of "C" or better; OR ESLR 320 and ESLW 320 with a grade of "C" or better; OR placement through assessment process.

General Education: AA/AS Area V(b); CSU Area D7; IGETC Area 4G Course Transferable to UC/CSU

Hours: 54 hours LEC

This course examines the political and socioeconomic causes of peace and conflict. It also includes an analysis of inter- and intra-state war, terrorism, ethnic conflict, gender issues and conflict, Just War Theory, post-conflict reconciliation and peace in international relations.

SOCSOC 312 International Studies - Current International Development Issues 3 Units

Advisory: ENGWR 102 or 103, and ENGRD 116 with a grade of "C" or better; OR ESLR 320 and ESLW 320 with a grade of "C" or better; OR placement through assessment process.

General Education: AA/AS Area V(b); CSU Area D7; IGETC Area 4G Course Transferable to UC/CSU

Hours: 54 hours LEC

This course deals with current socio-economic and political issues in developing countries. It presents alternative theories of development with a particular focus on the issues of globalization including political and social change.