BACHELOR OF ARTS SOCIAL STUDIES EDUCATION

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Social Studies 5-Adult Comprehensive Specialization is intended for those students preparing to teach in elementary, middle, or secondary schools. This degree program leads to a B.A. in Education with teacher certification in West Virginia. It provides the interdisciplinary foundation necessary for teaching an integrated social science curriculum. Students desiring to teach a particular subject, such as history, should augment the required courses with appropriate elective hours. Course marked with an asterisk are offered only in the fall semester.

Admission can be gained at any time after completing the requirements, but most students complete the online application within the first 4 semesters. In the meantime, declare your major as Pre-Social Studies Education. Please consult the FSU Catalog, 2020-2021 for more information.

- 1. Complete EDUC 2200: Introduction to Education with a B grade
- 2. Complete Early Field Experience 1 (See School of Education for details)
- 3. Pass 3 sections of the CORE Academic Skills Test (reading, math, and writing)
- 4. Earn overall GPA: 2.75 AND Social Studies courses GPA: 2.75
- 5. Pass criminal record background check and TB testing
- 6. Submit Declaration of Intent to Dean of Teacher Education

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

While the main purpose of the Social Studies Education major is to prepare students to teach, those who choose the major can seek opportunities in a number of areas.

- Teacher
- Historian
- Graduate student in History, education, and other fields
- Lawyer
- Writer

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CORE Curriculum Requirements

First Year Seminar	1 hour
Written Communication	6 hours
Oral Communication	3 hours
Mathematics	3-4 hours
Humanities with Critical Thinking	3 hours
Fine Arts with Critical Thinking	3 hours
Natural Science with Critical Thinking	3-5 hours
Social Science with Critical Thinking	3 hours
Citizenship	3 hours
Global Aware./Fitness&Wellness/Tech	2-3 hours

Education Curriculum:

EDUC 2200	Introduction to Education	3 hours
EDUC 2201	Instructional Technology	3 hours
EDUC 2203	Human Development	3 hours
EDUC 2240	High Incidence Disabilities	3 hours
EDUC 2260	Instructional Design I	3 hours
EDUC 2265	Field Experience II	1 hour
EDUC 3331	Reading in the Content Areas	3 hours
EDUC 3340	Instructional Design II	3 hours
EDUC 3351	Inclusive Classroom Practices	3 hours
EDUC 3365	Field Experience III	2 hours
EDUC 4485	Action Research	1 hour
EDUC 4486	Portfolio	1 hour
EDUC 4496	Secondary Student Teaching	10 hours

Social Studies Curriculum:

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BSBA 2200	Economics	3 hours
GEOG 2210	Introduction to Geography	3 hours
HIST 1107	United States History I	3 hours
HIST 1108	United States History II	3 hours
HIST 2211	World Civilizations I	3 hours
HIST 2212	World Civilizations II	3 hours
HIST 2213	World Civilizations III	3 hours
HIST 3302	West Virginia	3 hours
HIST 3324	Recent America: 1960-Present	3 hours
HIST 4431	Recent Europe	3 hours
POLI 1100	American Government	3 hours
POLI 2200	Introduction to Political Science	3 hours
PSYC 1101	Introduction to Psychology	3 hours
SOCY 1110	Introductory Sociology	3 hours
SOCY 3301	Cultural Anthropology	3 hours
SSCI 4431	Methods & Materials of Teaching	3 hours
SSCI 4498	Interdisciplinary Seminar	3 hours

Sample Schedule

Students must successfully complete 120 hours for the degree. Schedules vary based on course availability, semester student enters program, and any courses already completed.

First Year, 1st Semester 1st Year Seminar ENGL 1101 HIST 1107 EDUC 2200 CORE Mathematics CORE Social Science	First Year, 2nd Semester ENGL 1102 HIST 1108 EDUC 2201 CORE Oral Comm CORE Natural Science CORE Fine Arts
Second Year, 1st Semester GEOG 2210 POLI 1100 SOCY 1100 EDUC 2203 CORE Citizenship CORE Fitness	Second Year, 2nd Semester HIST 2213 EDU 2240 POLI 2200 BSBA 2200 Free Elective
Third Year, 1st Semester HIST 2212 EDUC 3331 HIST 3302 Major Elective	Third Year, 2nd Semester HIST 3324 HIST 2211 SOCY 3301 EDUC 2260 EDUC 2265 HIST 4431
Fourth Year, 1st Semester EDUC 3340 EDUC 3351 EDUC 3365 SSCI 4431 SSCI 4498 Major Elective	Fourth Year, 2nd Semester EDUC 4485 EDUC 4486 EDUC 4496

Note: This model schedule is a suggested course sequence & is meant to be used as a guide. Students should check the Undergraduate Catalog for their entrance year into Fairmont State University (or any subsequent catalog) to learn more about the graduation requirements for their major.



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