

# SOCIAL STUDIES, B.S.ED.

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The Social Studies Bachelors of Science in Education (BSE) degree is designed for students seeking state certification to teach social studies in grades 7-12.

Social studies includes anthropology, economics, geography, government, history, psychology, and sociology; and social studies teachers can be asked to teach any of these disciplines at the middle and high school level. To ensure high quality teacher preparation, the Social Studies BSE degree consists of three blocks of requirements: 45 hours of specific courses across six related disciplines; 15 hours of electives from any of seven related disciplines; and 33 hours of education courses. Degree requirements also include an early field experience in a grades 7-12 public school setting and – in the final year of the program - an intensive two-semester field experience in a grades 7-12 social studies classroom.