

West Texas A&M University
Advising Services
Degree Checklist
2021-2022

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NAME: _____ **WT ID:** _____ **DATE:** _____

Social Sciences
Department of Political Science and Criminal Justice
OM 414B (806)651-2433

CORE CURRICULUM COURSES: 42 HOURS ♦		HRS
Communication (Code 10)		
ENGL 1301 Introduction to Academic Writing and Argumentation	3	
COMM 1315, 1318, or 1321	3	
Mathematics (Code 20)		
MATH 1314*, 1316*, 1324*, 1325*, 1332*/**, 1342*/**, 1350*/**, 2412*, or 2413* (2412 & 2413: extra hr. moves to Code 90)	3	
Life and Physical Sciences (Code 30)		
Take two courses from (extra lab hours move to Code 90): ♦ ANSC 1319; BIOL 1406 or 1408, 1407* or 1409*, 1411, 1413; CHEM 1405* or 1411*, 1412*; ENVR 1407*; GEOL 1401 or 1403, 1402, 1404; PHYS 1401*, 1402*, 1411, 1412, 1471, 2425*, 2426*; PSES 1301, 1307	6	
Language, Philosophy and Culture (Code 40)		
ANTH 2351, ENGL 2321*, 2326*, 2331*, 2341*, 2343*; HIST 2311, 2323, 2372; MCOM 1307; PHIL 1301, 2374; SPAN 2311*, 2312*/**, 2313*, 2315*, or 2371 Choose 1	3	
Creative Arts (Code 50)		
ARTS 1301, 1303, 1304; DANC 2303; MUSI 1306, 1307 (for music majors), 1310; or THRE 1310 Choose 1	3	
American History (Code 60)		
HIST 1301, 1302, 2301, 2381, 2382 Choose 2	6	
Government/Political Science (Code 70)		
POSC 2305 and 2306	6	
Social and Behavioral Sciences (Code 80)		
AGBE 2317*; COMM 2377; CRIJ 1301; ECON 2301, 2302; PSYC 2301; or SOCI 1301 Choose 1	3	
Component Area Option (Code 90)		
Take six hours from: ♦ AGRI 2300; BIOL lab hours (from Code 30); BUSI 1304; CHEM lab hours (from Code 30); CIDM 1105, CIDM 1301 or 1315; CS 1301; ECON 2331; ENGL 1101, 1102, 1302*, 2311*; ENVR lab hour (from Code 30); GEOL lab hours (from Code 30); IDS 1071 (1-3 hours); extra MATH hours (from Code 20); MUSI 1053; PHIL 2303; PHYS lab hours (from Code 30); SES 1120	6	
SOCIAL SCIENCE MAJOR REQUIREMENTS: 54 HOURS A grade of "C" or better must be earned in all courses required for major.		
Take 18 semester hours in each of two social sciences (anthropology, economics, geography, history, political science, psychology, and sociology). Also, take nine semester hours in each of two additional social sciences. No one-semester-hour courses may be counted toward these requirements.		
Portfolio: All students majoring in social sciences must complete a portfolio consisting of essays and research papers written for the various disciplines of the program as well as a reflective essay. The portfolio of work is due to the Social Sciences program director before the completion of the final semester of study. A student must submit a portfolio to be cleared to graduate.		
Complete one of the following courses: HIST 3301* Historical Research Methods POSC 3361 Contemporary Political Research Methods SOCI 4362* Social Research - Note: Whichever of these courses is taken can count towards the required hours in that subject.	3	
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Bachelor of Arts Degree
BA.SOCIAL.SCI (121)

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BACHELOR OF ARTS REQUIREMENTS: 6-12 HOURS		OPTION
Six hours of foreign language.	(6-8)	
Six hours chosen from art, English, history, modern languages, music, philosophy and theatre.	0-6	
ELECTIVES: 10-18 HOURS BY ADVISEMENT ♦		
ELECTIVES (ADVANCED)		
ELECTIVES (ANY LEVEL)		
MINIMUM HOURS REQUIRED TO COMPLETE DEGREE	120	

♦ NOTE: The core curriculum must total **exactly 42 hours**; excess hours must be moved to the major as an elective or a major requirement and stay within the 120-hour requirement or approved total submitted to the Coordinating Board for degree requirements. Some majors specify particular courses to meet core curriculum requirements when options are available.
* Indicates prerequisites—see catalog for more information.
** While MATH 1332, 1342 and 1350 will fulfill core math requirements, they will NOT prepare students for higher-level math courses such as Plane Trigonometry (MATH 1316) or Pre-Calculus (MATH 2412).
*** Or an equivalent course (second year, second semester) in a foreign language.
NOTE: At least 36 hours of advanced work (3000- or 4000-level courses) for which tuition is paid must be earned at WTAMU, and 30 of the final 36 hours counted toward the degree must be earned at WTAMU. A maximum of six semester hours in religion (RELI) and six semester hours in physical education (PHED) courses can count toward a baccalaureate degree.

Note: This is NOT a degree plan. After completing 30 hours, students must request an official degree plan (using the online [Request for a Degree Plan](#) form) in order to progress. Students who have questions about their degree plan should contact the office of the dean of the College of Education and Social Sciences.

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Identified Marketable Skills:

Top 3 Local Employers or Industries/Professional Programs/Possible Career Opportunities

Prerequisites/Important Sequences/Other degree Notes:

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