

Bachelor of Arts in Social Sciences

4-Year Suggested Course Sequence (rev. Fall 2021)

(FOREIGN LANGUAGE FIRST YEAR; Non-Secondary Ed Major)

FOR STUDENTS WHO MATRICULATED FALL 2025 OR LATER

Please note that this is only a suggested course sequence. Circumstances may cause you to complete the program in a different sequence. However, you must adhere to requirements regarding prerequisites for admission into certain courses and the timing of when particular courses must be taken during your completion of the major. Also, please note that all courses are not offered every semester. Please read the University catalog for explanation of the major requirements and when specific courses are offered.

First Year- Fall			First Year- Spring		
Course		Credits	Course		Credits
SSC 100*	An Introduction to the Social Sciences: A Caribbean Focus	3	SCI 100*	The Natural World: The Caribbean	3
COM 119	Interpersonal Communication and Leadership Skills	3	COM 120	Public Speaking	3
SPA 131 OR FRE 131	Elementary Spanish I OR Elementary French I	4	SPA 132 OR FRE 132	Elementary Spanish II OR Elementary French II	4
MAT 140 OR MAT 143	College Algebra with Applications OR Pre-calculus Algebra	4	MAT 235 OR MAT 153 OR MAT 232	Introductory Statistics with Applications OR College Trigonometry OR Calculus for Business and Social Sciences	4
FDS 100*	Freshman Development Seminar	1	PE**	Physical Education and Health	0.5
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Credits		15.0- 15.5	Credits		14 – 14.5
Sophomore - Fall			Sophomore - Spring		
Course		Credits	Course		Credits
ENG 120	English Composition	3	ENG 201	Research and Applied Writing	3
SOC 121	Introduction to Sociology	3	PHL 200	Critical Thinking	3
POL 120	Intro to Political Science	3	ANT 225	Introduction to Cultural and Physical Anthropology	3
SPA 231 OR FRE 231	Intermediate Spanish OR Intermediate French	4	PSY 120	General Psychology	3
HIS 181	World Civilizations I	3	HIS 182	World Civilizations II	3
PE **	Physical Education and Health	0.5	PE**	Physical Education and Health	0.5
Credits		16.0 – 16.5	Credits		15.0 – 15.5

Junior - Fall			Junior - Spring		
Course		Credits	Course		Credits
ENG 261	World Literature I	3	ENG 262	World Literature II	3
SSC 327***	Quantitative Research Methods in the Social Sciences I	4	SSC 328***	Quantitative Research Methods in the Social Sciences II	4
HIS 320	History of the U.S.	3	HIS 341	Caribbean History	3
GOG 121	Physical Geography	3	POL 351 OR POL 352	Comparative Government International Politics	3
XXX****	BA Social Science Major Elective	3	SSC 3XX***	Introduction to Interdisciplinary Research Methods	3
Total		16.0	Total		16
Senior - Fall			Senior - Spring		
Course		Credits	Course		Credits
SCI XXX	Science with Laboratory	3 or 4	SCI XXX	Science with Laboratory	3 or 4
SSC 497***	Social Sciences Senior Seminar I	1	SSC 498***	Social Sciences Senior Seminar II	1
ECO 221	Intro to Macro Economics	3	XXX****	BA Social Science Major Elective	3
XXX****	BA Social Science Major Elective	3	HUM 115	Introduction to Humanities	3
HIS 342 or XXX*****	History of the Virgin Islands OR Alt. Social Science Major Elective	3	XXX****	BA Social Science Major Elective	3
PLS 200**	Self-management and Risk: Wellness and Risk (if needed)	2	XXX	Any Elective	3
Total Credits		13-16	Total		16-17

NOTES:

* Requirements of the Freshman Year Program for all students matriculating into the university with fewer than 24 credits.

**Students may take either PLS (2 credits.) or 4 semesters of PE (.5 credits each.) These credits do NOT count towards the minimum of 120 credits needed for graduation.

***Course must be taken in semester specified.

****Please see catalog for courses that satisfy elective course requirement for the Social Science Major.

***** Students who are not required to take History of the Virgin Islands (HIS 342) for teacher certification may substitute this course for another Social Science Major Elective.

IN BLUE: SOCIAL SCIENCE COURSES AND ELECTIVES REQUIRED FOR THE SOCIAL SCIENCE MAJOR

IN GREEN: GEN ED REQUIREMENTS FOR SOCIAL SCIENCE MAJORS