

## Advising Guide & Degree Checklist

### B.A./B.S. in Social Science

#### Social Science: Program Overview

At OSU-Cascades, students can pursue a social science degree with an option in community development and leadership. Students will investigate the social and cultural dynamics in our communities, explore how these dynamics impact the development of sustainable communities, and examine how effective community leadership impacts positive social change. Social Science studies contain scientific investigation and theory pertaining to human individuals, social groups, institutions, and ideologies.

To complete a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) or Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Social Science students must complete the following degree requirements:

- OSU Graduation Requirements
- Baccalaureate Core
- College of Liberal Arts Core
- BA or BS Requirements
- Social Science Major Requirements
- Specialty Option: Community Development and Leadership Requirements.

#### OSU Graduation Requirements:

*Students pursuing a degree at OSU must meet the following requirements in addition to program and college requirements.*

- 180—total number of credits required to graduate from OSU
- 60—number of upper division credits required
- 124—maximum number of credits that will transfer from a community college
- 45 of last 75 credits must be OSU credits
- Maintain a 2.0 or better university GPA

*\*All catalog and course selection information is subject.*

## Baccalaureate Core Requirements (Bacc Core)

- Complete all Bacc Core using the [OSU-Cascades Bacc Core course guide](#).
- Students who have an AAOT have all Skills and Perspectives completed.
- Courses **can** double count between Bacc Core, CLA Core and Major, but not between all 3 areas

Requirement	Course	Grade/Term
Skills (16)		
Writing I (3-4cr)		
Writing II (3-4cr)		
Speech (3-4cr)	COMM 114 or 218 in major double counts	<b>X</b>
Fitness (2 cr)		
Fitness Physical Activity Course PAC (1cr)		
Math (3-4cr)		
Perspectives (24-32 cr)	<b>**No more than two courses from any one department**</b>	
Bio Science (4-5cr)		
Physical Science (4-5cr)		
1 additional Bio or Phys. Sci. (4-5cr)		
Cultural Diversity (3-4cr)		
Literature & Arts (3-4cr)		
Social Process & Inst. (3-4cr)		
Western Culture (3-4cr)		
Difference Power & Discrim (3-4cr)		
Synthesis (6cr)	<b>**Synthesis course must be from 2 different departments**</b>	
Contemporary Global Issues (CGI)	ANTH 352 in major double counts	<b>X</b>
Science Tech and Society (STS)		

## College of Liberal Arts Core (CLA Core)

- Courses can double count between Bacc Core, CLA Core and Major, but not between all 3 areas.
- More courses may be added to OSU-Cascades in future terms

CLA Core Requirement	Course options	Grade
Fine Arts (3-4 cr)	ART 101, ART 115, ART 131, ART 121, ART 263, ART 222	
Humanities (3-4 cr)	ENG 253, ENG 254, HST 202, HST 203 AMS 311, ART 367, ART 366, ENG 317, ENG 318, ENG 319, ENG 386, ENG 387, ENG 388, ENG 416, ENG 482	
Non-Western Culture (3-4 cr)	ANTH 311, ANTH 315, ART 208, or ENG 360	
Social Science (3-4 cr)	COMM 321 in major double counts	<b>X</b>
Additional CLA Core course (3-4cr)	Additional course from any category	

## BA or BS Requirements

- Courses used to satisfy the B.S. cannot double count to satisfy baccalaureate core requirements.
- Select either BA or BS section below.

B.A. Requirements		Course/Grade
Second year proficiency in a second language at the college level with C-grade or better.	Sample: SPAN 111, 112, 113, 211, 212, 213	
B.S. Requirements		
Any computer science (CS) course approved by the student's advisor	sample ART 121, CS 160 or CS 391	
Any course from the College of Science except math or statistics (3-4 credits)	sample: BB 332, GEOG 340, MB330	
One of the following MTH/ST combination (2 courses):	No double count with BC: Math	
A. ST 351 and ST 352 (8 credits) B. MTH 111 and MTH 245 (8 credits) <b>or</b> MTH 111 and MTH 112 C. MTH 241 or MTH245 or MTH251, and ST 351 (8 credits). D. Any 8 credits of MTH courses 200 level or above	ST 201 and 202 not allowed here	

## Social Science Major Core (32-35 credits)

Courses taken to fulfill major requirements **cannot** be used to fulfill Bacc Core, College of Liberal Arts, or option requirements.

### Required Courses (11 credits)

- \_\_\_\_\_ SSCI 301 (4) Qualitative Research Methods for the Social Sciences – **WIC**
- \_\_\_\_\_ SSCI 211 (1) Career Development in the Social Sciences
- \_\_\_\_\_ COMM 321 (3) Introduction to Communication Theory
- \_\_\_\_\_ ANTH 352 (3) Anthropology, Health, and the Environment **or** SUS 420 (3) Social Dimension of Sustainability

### Social Science Core Electives (21-24 credits)

Select 6, 300–400 level courses in Anthropology, Communication, Political Science, Psychology and Sociology. Must include one course from at least **four** disciplines. ANTH, COMM, PS, PSY, SOC:

Requirement	Course	Term/Grade
Soc Sci Core Elective 1		
Soc Sci Core Elective 2		
Soc Sci Core Elective 3		
Soc Sci Core Elective 4		
Soc Sci Core Elective 5		
Soc Sci Core Elective 6		

### Specialty Option: Community Development and Leadership (22-24 credits)

Choose 1 course from the following:

- COMM 325: Comm Leadership (4)
- COMM 323: Community Dialogue (4)

Course:	Term:

Option Electives: Choose 5 courses below

- BA 352: Managing Individual and Team Performance (4)
- COMM 114: Argumentation & Discourse
- COMM 218: Intro Interpersonal Communication (3)
- COMM 322: Small Group Comm (3) [CLA Core: Social Science]
- COMM 323: Communicating Dialogue (4)
- COMM 324: Communication in Organizations (3) [CLA Core: Social Science]
- COMM 325: Communicating Leadership (4)
- COMM 326: Intercultural Comm (3) [CLA Core: Social Science]
- COMM 425: Communication and Youth Outreach (4)
- GEO 309: Environmental Justice (3) [Bacc Core: Difference Power Discrimination]
- PS 201: Introduction to US Government and Politics (4) [Bacc Core: Social Processes]
- PS 331: State and Local Government and Politics (4) [CLA Core: Social Science]
- PS 362: Modern Political Thought [CLA Core: Social Science]
- PS 475: Environmental Politics and Policy (4)
- SOC 439: Welfare and Social Services (4)
- SOC 452: Sociology of Religion (4)
- SOC 480: Environmental Sociology (4)
- SUS 350: Sustainable Communities (4)
- SUS 420: Social Aspects of Sustainability (3)
- ANTH 410, COMM 410 or SSCI 410 (3-4) – INTERNSHIP

Option Elective 1	Option Elective 2	Option Elective 3	Option Elective 4	Option Elective 5