

Political Science BA with Social Studies Education Major at a Glance



Program Overview:

The (B.A.) degree in Political Science with Social Studies Education Major prepares teachers for the complex and evolving challenges of today's classroom while equipping them with the essential tools to be successful as a teacher, graduate student (in education or in their subject area) or both. The Political Science program encourages analysis of political theories, institutions, and processes within the broader context of the social sciences. The program also provides the opportunity to acquire a fundamental understanding of political science as a basis for citizenship, a career in government, or professional study and service.

Prerequisites:

GEA 2000 World Regional Geography (Social Science – Grp II) POS 2041 American Government (Social Science – Grp I)

Two of the following:

CPO 2002 Introduction to Comparative Politics (Social Science – Grp II) INR 2001 Introduction to International Relations (Social Science – Grp II) POT 2002 Introduction to Political Theory

Highly Recommended:

AMH 2042 Modern American Civilization (Humanities – Grp II / Gordon Rule with Writing) WOH 2001 World Civilization (Humanities – Grp II / Gordon Rule with Writing)

Careers/Job Opportunities:

- Social Studies Teacher
- Local, State, and Federal Government
- Criminal Investigators and Special Agents
- Public Service

Recommended Minors, Certificates, or Second Majors:

- International Relations
- Middle East & Central Asian Studies
- National Security Studies
- Professional and Public Writing
- Public
- Administration
- Public Policy Studies

Advising Contact Information:

Secondary Education Advisors MMC: ZEB 210 | 305-348-2978

Helpful Links:

Department Website: http://secondaryeducation.fiu.edu

MyMajor Website: http://mymajor.fiu.edu

Florida Teacher Certification Examinations Website: http://fl.nesinc.com

Steven J. Green School of International & Public Affairs Requirements:

- All Steven J. Green School of International & Public Affairs majors must satisfy the Foreign Language competency requirement. Students must show mastery at, or complete a second semester sequence (at the college level) foreign language course or one more advanced with a minimum grade of "C". Credits earned through AP, IB, CLEP and other testing methods for earning accelerated credit satisfy this requirement. Discuss options for satisfying this requirement with your Academic Advisor.
- All Steven J. Green School of International & Public Affairs majors must complete 48 credits of upper division prior to graduation. Upper division courses are 3000/4000 level courses, major courses and outside electives can count towards this requirement.
- Students are required to earn 9 credits outside the major area during the last 60 hours of their undergraduate career.
- No 1 and 2-credit physical activity courses can be counted towards the 120 credits needed for graduation.

