

SOCIAL & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES EMPHASIS (AA DEGREE A8991)

Humanities and Social Sciences Division Degree A8991

The intent of this degree is to prepare students for careers and/or higher education in the social sciences, generally, or in the specific disciplines within the overall social science designation. This degree emphasizes the nature of individual and collective human behavior; our interactions; the political economic, social, and psychological structures and institutions of human beings; and the challenges of developing and sustaining interpersonal and intercultural relationships. This degree will enhance their ability to explain how groups and subgroups operate to make responsible political, moral, and social decisions.

Select at least one course (three units minimum) from each category. Select additional 9 units from any course not already used in category 1, 2, or 3 for a total of 18 units. This degree requires the completion of General Education coursework plus the following:

Required Courses

Course Prefix	Course Name	Units
Core Courses		
Select at least one course from each of the three categories		9
Category 1: Psychology, Sociology and Human Development:		
Choose a minimum of 3 units from the following		3
BIOL 5	Contemporary Health Issues	
BIOL 13	Human Reproduction, Development and Aging	
BIOL 15	Human Sexuality	
or BIOL 15H	Human Sexuality - Honors	
CHLD 1	Child, Family, School and Community	
CHLD 10	Child Growth and Lifespan Development	
or CHLD 10H	Child Growth and Lifespan Development - Honors	
CHLD 11	Child and Adolescent Development	
PSYC 1A	Introduction to Psychology	
or PSYC 1AH	Introduction to Psychology - Honors	
PSYC 1B	Biological Psychology	
PSYC 14	Developmental Psychology	
or PSYC 14H	Developmental Psychology - Honors	
PSYC 15	Introduction to Child Psychology	
PSYC 19	Abnormal Psychology	
PSYC 25	The Psychology of Women	
PSYC 26	Psychology of Sexuality	
SOC 1	Introduction to Sociology	
or SOC 1H	Introduction to Sociology - Honors	
SOC 2	Contemporary Social Problems	
or SOC 2H	Contemporary Social Problems - Honors	
SOC 4	Introduction to Gerontology	
SOC 5	Introduction to Criminology	
or SOC 5H	Introduction to Criminology - Honors	
SOC 14	Marriage and the Family	
or SOC 14H	Marriage and the Family - Honors	
SOC 15	Child Development	
SOC 20	Introduction to Race and Ethnicity	
or SOC 20H	Introduction to Race and Ethnicity - Honors	

SOC 40	Introduction to Sex and Gender Roles
or SOC 40H	Introduction to Sex and Gender Roles - Honors

Category 2: Anthropology, Geography and Biology as it relates to Society

Choose a minimum of three units from the following:		3
ANTH 1	Biological Anthropology	
or ANTH 1H	Biological Anthropology - Honors	
ANTH 1L	Biological Anthropology Laboratory	
ANTH 4	Archaeology	
ANTH 5	Cultural Anthropology	
or ANTH 5H	Cultural Anthropology - Honors	
ANTH 6	Language and Culture: An Introduction to Linguistic Anthropology	
ANTH 30	The Native American	
BIOL 6	Humans and the Environment	
BIOL 6L	Humans and the Environment Laboratory	
BIOL 17	Neurobiology and Behavior	
BIOL 25	Conservation Biology	
GEOG 1	Physical Geography	
or GEOG 1H	Physical Geography - Honors	
GEOG 1L	Physical Geography Laboratory	
or GEOG 1LH	Physical Geography Laboratory - Honors	
GEOG 2	Human Geography	
or GEOG 2H	Human Geography - Honors	
GEOG 5	World Regional Geography	
GEOG 8	Urban Geography	
GEOG 30	Geography of California	
PUBH 24	Introduction to Public Health	
PUBH 26	Introduction to Global Public Health	
PUBH 27	Public Health and the Environment	

Category 3: Economics, History, and Political Science

Choose a minimum of three units from the following:		3
AGAG 1	Food Production, Land Use, and Politics - A Global Perspective	
BUSC 1A	Principles of Economics - Macroeconomics	
or BUSC 1AH	Principles of Economics - Macroeconomics - Honors	
BUSC 1B	Principles of Economics - Microeconomics	
or BUSC 1BH	Principles of Economics - Microeconomics - Honors	
BUSM 50	World Culture: A Business Perspective	
HIST 1	History of the United States	
HIST 3	World History: Prehistoric to Early Modern	
or HIST 3H	World History: Prehistoric to Early Modern - Honors	
HIST 4	World History: Early Modern to the Present	
or HIST 4H	World History: Early Modern to the Present - Honors	
HIST 7	History of the United States to 1877	
or HIST 7H	History of the United States to 1877 - Honors	
HIST 8	History of the United States from 1865	
or HIST 8H	History of the United States from 1865 - Honors	
HIST 30	History of the African American 1619-1877	
HIST 31	History of the African American	
HIST 35	History of Africa	
HIST 36	Women in American History	
HIST 39	California History	
HIST 40	History of the Mexican American	
POLI 1	Introduction to American Government and Politics	
or POLI 1H	Introduction to American Government and Politics - Honors	

POLI 2	Comparative Politics
POLI 9	International Relations
POLI 10	Environmental Politics
POLI 25	Latino Politics in the United States
POLI 35	African American/Black Politics

Recommended Electives

LIBR 1	Library Research Methods and Resources
MATH 110	Elementary Statistics or MATH 110H Elementary Statistics - Honors
PSYC 3	Introduction to Research Methods in Psychology
PSYC 10	Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences
SOC 23	Introduction to Statistics in Sociology and Social Sciences
SPCH 7	Intercultural Communication
SPCH 26	Interpersonal Communication or SPCH 26H Interpersonal Communication - Honors

Total Units **18**

Program Learning Objectives

Upon successful completion of this program, a student will be able to:

- Analyze cultural and gender diversity in humans.
- Explain the development of the person within society.
- Explain how biology relates to behavior or society.
- Discuss historical and political implications on society.

Review Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs) (<http://www.mtsac.edu/instruction/outcomes/sloinfo.html>) for this program.