

SOCIAL SCIENCES

Overview

Students wishing to combine study in several social science disciplines may consider a Social Sciences Divisional Area of Concentration (AOC).

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Requirements for the Divisional AOC in Social Sciences

Course requirements for the Social Sciences Area of Concentration include: one introductory and two or more advanced courses and/or tutorials in at least three social science disciplines. This would mean a minimum of nine courses or tutorials in the social sciences. A Social Sciences AOC also involves a senior thesis that uses social scientific research methods. Students are encouraged to familiarize themselves with the various methodologies employed by social scientists.

The program of study will be worked out by the student and a sponsor. The Area of Concentration form must be signed by at least two social sciences faculty who are in agreement on the student's plan of study. The senior thesis must be sponsored by a social sciences faculty member. The Baccalaureate Committee must also include two other members of the social sciences faculty.

Representative Senior Theses in Social Sciences

- LatinX First-Generation Students in Los Angeles and the Fight for Four Year College Attainment
- Librarianship in the Era of Inequality: A Study on the Local Response to the Changing Roles of Public Libraries
- Race, Power, and Memory: An Oral History of Gasparilla Island's Black Community
- A Virtuous Market: School Choice and Student Access at a Florida Charter School
- Gazing Upon the Goo-Goo Land: Constructions of the Filipino Identity in U.S. Newspapers, 1898–1904
- "Somos Seres Humanos. Merecemos Vivir Dignamente": Coloniality and Human Rights in the Face of Family Separation
- Population Growth and Development in Miami, Tampa, and Orlando from 1920 to 1975