

# Bachelor of Arts in History

## Social Studies Education

### Description

The Purdue University Northwest Bachelor of Arts in History with a concentration in Social Studies Education is housed within the department of History and Philosophy. This program, cooperatively developed and supported by the department and the PNW School of Education and Counseling, is specifically designed to provide preparation for teachers of social studies. In alignment with standards set by the state of Indiana Department of Education, students each specialize in the teaching of historical perspectives, and additionally choose at least two of the following areas of specialization: Economics, Government and Citizenship, Psychology, and Sociology.

Graduates of our program have gone on to become excellent teachers, earning awards and successfully changing the lives of students in Indiana and beyond through social studies education.

### Degree Requirements

#### PNW General Education Core

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| English Composition         | ENGL10400 and ENGL10500                         | 6 credits |
| Speech Communication        | COM11400                                        | 3 credits |
| Quantitative Reasoning      | STAT13000                                       | 3 credits |
| Natural Sciences            | Select from the Natural Sciences Core list      | 3 credits |
| Technology                  | CIS20400                                        | 3 credits |
| Humanities                  | HIST15100                                       | 3 credits |
| Social Sciences             | SOC10000                                        | 3 credits |
| Additional Credits          | Life Science – SCI10300, 10400, 10500, or 11400 | 3 credits |
| First-Year Experience (FYE) | HIST10600                                       | 3 credits |

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**Total (minimum): 30 Credits**

#### Major Core

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| HIST10500 | Survey of Global History                                           | 3 credits |
| EDPS26000 | Introduction to Special Education                                  | 3 credits |
| EDFA20000 | History & Philosophy of Education                                  | 3 credits |
| HIST11000 | The Pre-Modern World                                               | 3 credits |
| ENGL23100 | Introduction to Literature                                         | 3 credits |
| EDPS22000 | Psychology of Learning                                             | 3 credits |
| HIST15200 | US History Since 1877                                              | 3 credits |
| POL10100  | American Government and Politics                                   | 3 credits |
| ECON10100 | Survey of Economics                                                | 3 credits |
| HIST29500 | Research & Writing in History                                      | 3 credits |
| EDCI36600 | Use of Assessment in K-12 Classroom                                | 3 credits |
| EDPS35500 | Teaching & Learning in K-12 Classroom                              | 3 credits |
| EDPS37000 | Teaching Students with Diverse Needs                               | 3 credits |
| EDCI34700 | Social Studies Teaching in Middle School, Jr. High and High School | 3 credits |

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| EDCI30900 | Reading in Middle and Secondary Schools | 3 credits  |
| EDCI49700 | Professional Semester                   | 12 credits |

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**Total Major Core: 57 Credits**

**Other Required Courses**

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| Foreign Language – French, Spanish, German     | 12 credits |
| Philosophy – Any 10000 level, except PHIL10500 | 3 credits  |
| Aesthetics*                                    | 3 credits  |
| History Elective – Any 30000 level             | 3 credits  |
| History Elective (non-American)**              | 6 credits  |
| Intense Area 2 and 3***                        | 30 credits |

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**Total Additional Courses: 57 Credits**

**Total credits required for baccalaureate degree: 144**

\*Aesthetics – choose 1 course from AD 25500, MUS 25000, ENGL 31900, PHIL 10600 or THTR 20100.

\*\*History Elective (non-American) – Any 3000 level History course (HISY 30600, 31600, 32500, 33600, 36500, 37400, 41000, 42600, 55300, 56400 58400) or any non-American History course approved by the department.

\*\*\* Intense Area 2 and Intense Area 3 – Choose 15 credit hours in two of the following intense areas:

Economics: ECON 25100 and ECON 25200, Plus 3 of the following: ECON 31100, 35200, 37500, 38000, 41900, 43400 46500 or HIST 37400.

Government: POL 10100, 13000 or 14100, and POL 20000; Plus two 30000 level or higher courses as approved by the department.

Psychology: POL 12000, 36100 or 36200, 33900 or SOC 34000, PSY 34400 or PSY 42800; Plus one 30000 level or higher PSY course.

Sociology: SOC 10000, 22200, plus three 30000 level or higher SOC courses.

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