

Queens College
Secondary Education & Youth Services (SEYS)

Undergraduate Initial Certificate Program (Grades 7-12)

SOCIAL STUDIES

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This major is intended for students who would like to become initially certified in Secondary Education (grades 7-12) with a concentration in Social Studies Education. To begin the program, students must first have their major declared in Africana Studies, Anthropology, Economics, History, Latin American Studies, Political Science, Sociology, or Urban Studies. To qualify for student teaching you must have a minimum GPA of 2.75 in your major if your content area is Economics; for all other content areas a 3.0; a B in SEYS 363, and a 3.0 GPA in SEYS courses.

All SEYS Social Studies Majors must have at least 21 credits of History and Geography (at least two courses of US History and two courses that are NON-US History), one course in Economics and one course in Political Science. Students must also have one block of at least 12 credits in a single Social Science discipline outside of their major. (See Reverse for more details)

COURSE OUTLINE

Course Number	Title	Pre-requisites and Co-Requisites	Credits	Fieldwork Required
SEYS 201W (Spring or Fall)	Historical, Social and Philosophical Foundations of Education	Major Declared	3	25 Hours Fieldwork
SEYS 221 (Spring or Fall)	Development and Learning in Middle Childhood & Adolescence	Major Declared	3	25 Hours Fieldwork
ECPSE 350 (Spring or Fall)	Foundations of Special Education	Major Declared	*3	15 Hours of Fieldwork
SEYS 340 (Spring or Fall)	Language, Literacy, and Culture In Education	Pre-requisite: SEYS 201W	3	25 Hours Fieldwork
SEYS 363W (Spring Only)	Methods in Teaching Social Studies in Middle and High School	Pre-requisite: SEYS 201W, SEYS 221	3	25 Hours Fieldwork
SEYS 373.2** (Fall only)	Student Teaching I in Secondary Social Studies	Pre-requisite: SEYS 340, Grade of "B" or higher in SEYS 363W, ≥ 24 credits in major Co-requisite: SEYS 383	3	150+ Hours in Clinical Practice; 5 days a week
SEYS 383** (Fall only)	Standards-Based Curriculum and Assessment in Teaching Social Studies	Pre-requisite: SEYS 340, Grade of "B" or higher in SEYS 363W, ≥ 24 credits in major Co-requisite: SEYS 373.2	3	
SEYS 373.4 (Spring only)	Student Teaching II in Secondary Social Studies	Pre-requisite: Grade of "B" or higher in SEYS 373.2 & SEYS 383 Co-requisite: SEYS 350	3	240 + hours, 3-4 periods/day, 5 days a week
SEYS 350 (Spring only)	Cognition, Technology and Instruction for Diverse Learners	Pre-requisite: Grade of "B" or higher in SEYS 373.2 & SEYS 383 Co-requisite: SEYS 373.4	3	
Total Number of Credits			24	

All students are required to complete 100 hours of fieldwork prior to Student Teaching I.

*Credits not applicable to the major's Total Number of Credits

**Submission of CST official score report, with overall score and sub-scores (candidates who do not pass must develop a remediation plan signed by advisor prior to student teaching).

IF YOUR MAJOR IS HISTORY:

You must take at least:

- 1 Economics Course _____
1 Political Science Course _____

12 credits in A SINGLE Social Science discipline (Choose four courses from ONE of the following areas: Anthropology, Economics, Political Science, or Sociology. We suggest that at least one course have the word “Geography” in the title.)

- 1) _____
2) _____
3) _____
4) _____

(If you chose Economics or Political Science as your 12 credit area, substitute a course in another Social Science field for the Economics or Political Science requirement.)

IF YOUR MAJOR IS AFRICANA STUDIES, ANTHROPOLOGY, ECONOMICS, LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES, POLITICAL SCIENCE, SOCIOLOGY, URBAN STUDIES:

You must take at least:

- 1 Economics Course _____
1 Political Science Course _____

(If you are an Economics or Political Science Major, substitute a course in another Social Science field for the Economics/Political Science requirement.)

You must have 21 credits in History and Geography. Since there is no Geography department on campus, we recommend that you complete a minor in History. The History Department will work with your major department to certify at least one course as having sufficient history content to fulfill the requirement. Your major department may also be developing courses with the word GEOGRAPHY in the title to help you meet these requirements.

_____ **Yes**, I am completing an 18 credit History Minor. The additional course that will bring me to 21 credits in History and Geography is:

- 1) _____

_____ **No**, I am fulfilling this requirement without a History Minor. My four courses in US History and Non-US History/World Studies are as follows:

- 1) US: _____
2) US: _____
3) WORLD: _____
4) WORLD: _____

The remaining 9 credits I need in History and Geography are as follows:

- 1) _____
2) _____
3) _____

(These 9 credits may come from Geography/History courses in your major or another Social Science Department or from the History Department.)

To be eligible for recommendation for New York State teaching licensure, all candidates must also complete the following:

1. Certification Exams: Educating All Students (EAS) + Content Specialty Test (CST) (in social studies).

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2. New York State certification workshops:

Child Abuse Identification and Reporting (NYS Mandated Reporter)

School Violence Prevention and Intervention (SAVE)

DASA Training (Dignity for All Students Act)

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