SOCIAL POLICY MAJOR

Students must also complete the Undergraduate Registration Requirement (https://catalogs.northwestern.edu/undergraduate/requirements-policies/undergraduate-registration-requirement/) and the degree requirements of their home school.

Concentration Program—16 units *

* 8 of the 16 units need to be at the 300-level

**Course** | **Title**
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SOC_POL 312-0 | Social Policymaking and Implementation
ECON 202-0 | Introduction to Microeconomics
POLI_SCI 220-0 | American Government and Politics

4 courses for the Domains cluster from:

- HDC 351-0 | Special Topics in Human Development in Context (Health Program Planning)
- SESP 310-0 | Statistical Causal Inference
- SESP 322-0 | Crafting Child Policy
- SESP 351-0 | Special Topics (Race, Adolescence, and School Discipline:Pressing Problems and Urgent Solutions)
- SOC_POL 304-0 | Social Policy & the Human Services
- SOC_POL 305-0 | Law and Social Policy
- SOC_POL 307-0 | Educational Policy
- SOC_POL 310-0 | Legal Aspects of Education
- SOC_POL 311-0 | Social Policy and the United States Health Care System
- SOC_POL 351-0 | Special Topics in Social Policy (Intersectionality, Measurement, and Public Policy or Quantitative Tools)

1 course for the Economics cluster from:

- SOC_POL 330-0 | Economics of Social Policy
- SOC_POL 331-0 | Economics of Inequality and Discrimination
- SOC_POL 332-0 | Economics of Education Policy
- SOC_POL 351-0 | Special Topics in Social Policy (Economics of Health, Human Capital, and Happiness)

Concentration Extension Courses (8 units)

Must be selected from an approved list of courses in SOC_POL, other SESP concentrations, and disciplines such as African American studies, communication studies, economics, political science, and sociology. Must include at least 5 courses at the 300 level. Up to 3 units of SESP 390-0 Research Apprenticeship or SESP 399-0 Independent Study and 3 units of SESP 398-0 Honors Thesis may be counted toward this requirement.

1 SESP_POL 322-0 Economics of Education Policy cannot be double counted.

SESP Core (8 units)

**Course** | **Title**
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SESP 200-0 | Understanding Knowledge

Human Development—1 unit

SESP 201-0 | Human Development: Childhood and Adolescence
or SESP 203-0 | Human Development: Adulthood and Aging
or HDC 310-0 | The Art and Science of Aging

Methodologies — 2 units

SESP 210-0 | Introduction to Statistics and Research Methodology

Experiential Learning—4 units

SESP 384-0 | Practicum in Human Development - Washington, D.C.
or SESP 389-0 | Practicum in Human Development - San Francisco
or SESP 392-0 | Experiential Learning: Practicum

1 Practicum course must be in concentration field. This 4-unit course may be taken either for 1 quarter during junior year or for nine weeks during the Summer Session before or after junior year; no fifth unit may be taken concurrently without special permission. At least 2 quarters before registering for the course, students must consult the SESP practicum director regarding procedures and site-placement application materials. For Summer Session practicums, consultation should be scheduled at least 3 quarters in advance.

Overlay Requirements*

* Overlay requirements are fulfilled by courses taken for the concentration

**Course** | **Title**
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Global Engagement

1 quarter of study abroad or 3 quarters of foreign language or equivalent. Please note that due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the global engagement requirement is subject to change.

Heterogeneities, Systems, and Inequalities

1 course counted towards the concentration: HDC 305-0, LOC 214-0, LOC 214-BR, LRN_SCI 214-0, LRN_SCI 309-0, SESP 317-0, SESP 324-0, SESP 351-0 (Computing, Ethics, and Society), SOC_POL 331-0, TEACH_ED 302-0

Methods in Context

1 course counted towards the concentration: HDC 351-0, LOC 311-0, LRN_SCI 301-0, LRN_SCI 309-0, LRN_SCI 313-0, LRN_SCI 351-0, LRN_SCI 372-0, SESP 251-0 (Community Based Research Methods: Educational Justice), SESP 303-0, SESP 310-0, SESP 324-0, SESP 351-0, SOC_POL 330-0, SOC_POL 331-0, SOC_POL 332-0, SOC_POL 351-0

Distribution Requirements (10 units)

- 2 natural sciences courses
- 2 formal studies courses (mathematics, logic, etc.)
- 2 historical studies courses
- 2 ethics and values courses (philosophy, religion, etc.)
- 2 literature and fine arts courses

Selected courses from Weinberg College and professional schools across the University may be used to fulfill distribution requirements with the consent of the student's adviser and the SESP assistant dean for student affairs.

Electives (8 units)

Courses from any school across the University may be used to fulfill elective requirements. Students are encouraged to discuss their elective plans with their advisers; they may be able to pursue a second major or a minor using elective credits.