

Outcomes

With a professional degree in social science, careers are possible in:

- Teaching
- Business
- Government service
- Library and information services
- Museum administration

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Program Description

A degree in social science combines an extensive knowledge of history with coursework in economics, geography, political science, psychology and anthropology/sociology. Because of its breadth, the social science major is an excellent preparation for those considering law school.

PSC Points of Distinction

- Opportunity as an undergraduate student to serve as a judges' assistant for the annual History Day program for high school students. A paid Assistant Director of History Day position is also available for a talented history or social science major.
 - Phi Alpha Theta is a national honor society for history and social science majors. This club sponsors speakers, hosts big events such as Election Day and Constitution Day programming and participates in field trips related to the major.
 - A student intern for the State of Nebraska Unicameral is selected each year from the history and social science majors. Interns have also been selected in the federal level of the legislative branches.
 - A unique opportunity to participate in the Trails and Tales course during the summer months. This course is an interdisciplinary, experiential course which involves traveling across the state of Nebraska learning about its history and literary heritage.
 - Students have the opportunity as a sophomore, junior and senior to receive a Harding Social Science scholarship valued at \$1000 per year.
 - Instructional format permitting students personal and extended contact with faculty and individualized guidance throughout all coursework.
 - Each program at Peru State College is reviewed on a continual basis and coursework is updated to meet evolving standards.
 - Students completing a degree at Peru State College are prepared to attend the nation's top graduate schools in all program areas.
- Minoring in a subject area outside of the major is simple at Peru State and can broaden the scope of knowledge and can improve employment prospects for any student.

Facilities

The social science department is housed in the Jindra Fine Arts building located on the campus quad. This facility boasts classrooms and faculty offices along with the Benford Recital Hall, an art gallery, dance studio and music facilities.

Faculty

Sara Crook, Ph.D., Professor of Social Science
Spencer Davis, Ph.D., Professor of History

Cooperating Faculty from Other Departments:

William Snyder, Ph.D., Professor of Business/Economics
Joel Lundak, Ph.D., Professor of Psychology
James Nevitt, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Human Services/Psychology
Carrie Gottschalk, M.S., Instructor of Sociology

Courses Required

In addition to the general studies requirements, students must take a variety of history and social science courses to complete this degree. The progress sheet for this major includes a listing of all coursework required for the social science major in addition to the general studies courses.

Minors are available in History, Social Science and Political Science.

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