Social Science
Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Science in Education

Personal Service
We pride ourselves on being just the right size to give students the time they need to be successful. Our average class size is 15, so you will have small, personalized class settings with a technologic focus for you to receive the education that you deserve. Your professors will introduce you to new ways of thinking, explore issues creatively, and evaluate ideas as you engage in the world.

Opportunity
Whether it’s music, athletics, or politics, students at MSU have the chance to participate in a variety of activities and clubs. These organizations are a great way to make new friends with similar interests, and the involvement outside the classroom looks great on a resume.

Some clubs and activities include:
• Theater
• Band & choir
• Computer Technology Club
• Science Club
• Comet Radio
• Student government
• Intramural sports

Success
Our students get jobs. Period. We have internship opportunities to give you real, hands-on learning experiences and make your resume stand out.

Value
The combination of MSU’s affordability and its unique offerings make it a Best in the Midwest College, as designated by the Princeton Review. This selection process is based on meeting criteria for academic excellence as well as results of surveys done by current MSU students.

The Program
As a student in Mayville State University’s social science programs, you’ll be preparing yourself for a bright future. Mayville State’s social science students receive an extensive background in history, political science, economics, geography, and sociology. This base of knowledge helps to prepare you to understand today’s rapidly changing society.

MSU’s vast and varied social science program will prepare you to pursue your career of choice dealing with the social aspects of human behavior. You will develop the key core skills that form the cornerstone of success with the flexibility of course options offered.

Advantages
Knowledge. Mayville State’s social science faculty consists of knowledgeable professors who have written about and traveled to many of the areas they cover in their classes, thus enhancing the subject matter in the classroom.

Post Graduation Options. Preparation for graduate school and numerous career opportunities is easily completed here at MSU. There are six background areas that you may learn about throughout your time in the classroom.

Real-World Experience. Cooperative teaching and internships are learning experiences that are available to you. Such opportunities may be offered in area schools, and internships may occur in a number of different settings.

Teaching Option. Education students meet state requirements in six teaching areas in the social sciences by completing six additional semester hours in the areas of sociology and psychology, above and beyond the core requirements for the social science composite for the teaching major.
**Social Science - B.A.**

**Required credits to graduate with this degree: 120**

Students pursuing this program must complete 31 semester hours of prescribed courses and 12 hours of electives, for a total of 43 hours. Students will also be required to complete at least one minor.

Social Science majors complete 36 hours of essential studies, including COMM 110, ECON 105, ENGL 110, ENGL 120 or ENGL 125, GEOG 103, MATH 103, and SOC 110, which are pre-requisite courses to this major.

**Core Requirements**

- **HIST 101** Western Civilization I.........................3
- **HIST 102** Western Civilization II.........................3
- **HIST 103** U.S. to 1877......................................3
- **HIST 104** U.S. since 1877..................................3
- **POLS 305** Constitutional History..........................3
- **HIST Electives**........................................6
- **SOSC 480S** Social Science Comprehensive...............1

**AND (Select one of the following:)**

- **HIST** Electives..........................................12
- **POLS** Electives..........................................12
- **GEOG** Electives..........................................12

**Total 43 SH**

**Social Science - B.S.Ed.**

**Required credits to graduate with this degree: 121**

Students pursuing the Social Science Composite degree (43 semester hours) must meet the following criteria:

- Take the core requirements plus at least two specializations.
- Qualify for additional teaching areas in Sociology or Psychology by taking six additional hours in those areas.
- Take the education courses for Secondary Education as outlined in the Criteria for Teacher Education including: EDUC 485-Secondary Methods for Social Science, EDUC 398-Secondary Education Field Experience, and ENGL 426-Reading in the Content Area.

Social Science Composite majors complete 36 hours of essential studies courses, including COMM 110, ECON 105, ENGL 110, ENGL 120 or ENGL 125, GEOG 103, MATH 103, PSYC 111, and SOC 110, which are pre-requisite courses to this major.

**Core Requirements**

- **HIST 101** Western Civilization I.........................3 SH
- **HIST 102** Western Civilization II.........................3 SH
- **HIST 103** U.S. to 1877......................................3 SH
- **HIST 104** U.S. since 1877..................................3 SH
- **HIST Electives**........................................6 SH
- **SOSC 480S** Social Science Comprehensive...............1 SH

**Total 19 SH**

**Specialization Areas - Choose TWO of the specializations:**

**Geography**

- **GEOG 300** World Reg. Geo & Anth..........................3 SH
- **GEOG 332** Global Econ, Dev, & 3rd World.................3 SH
- **GEOG 433** Geography of Europe.............................3 SH
- **GEOG Electives**........................................3 SH

**Total 12 SH**

**Economics**

- **ECON 201** Principles of Microeconomics .................3 SH
- **ECON 202** Principles of Macroeconomics ..................3 SH
- **ECON 332** Global Economy, Resources and the Developing World..........................3 SH
- **ECON 423** Global Economy History .........................3 SH

**Total 12 SH**

**Political Science**

- **POLS 305** Constitutional History..........................3 SH
- **POLS 314** Ideology and Government.........................3 SH
- **POLS Electives**........................................6 SH

**Sub-total 12 SH**

**Core Requirements 19 SH**

**Two Specializations 24 SH**

**Total 43 SH**