The Social Sciences Area option allows students to meet their individual education needs by developing a major based on courses from several departments within the Behavioral Sciences Division. The selection of courses should reflect a theme or program that is developed in consultation with an Academic Advisor.

Core Requirements  
12 courses - 36 credits

To satisfy the requirements for a Social Sciences Area major, students select one department in which they take five to six courses (15-18 credits) and two other departments in which they take three to four courses (9-12 credits) each for a minimum total of 36 credits. An example of a program of studies for a student who chose History as the major department and Political Science and Economics as the minor departments is shown below.

**History**
- HIST 0500 Colonial Latin America
- HIST 0600 U.S. to 1877
- HIST 0601 U.S. 1865 to Present
- HIST 0710 World History to 1500
- HIST 1010 Historical Inquiry and Methods
- HIST 1367 20th-Century Europe

**Political Science**
- PS 0200 American Politics
- PS 1202 American Constitutional Law
- PS 1261 American Public Policy
- PS 1511 American Foreign Policy

**Economics**
- ECON 0100 Introduction to Microeconomics
- ECON 0110 Introduction to Macroeconomics
- ECON 0130 Globalization

**Additional Requirement**  
1 course - 3 credits

After earning 90 credits, all Social Sciences Area majors must take the capstone course offered in the major area of concentration to fulfill the capstone course requirement.