

BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE

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College of Natural and Behavioral Sciences

Bachelor of Arts

Degree Roadmap

Minor

Faculty

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Program Description

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Academic Advisement

Students are encouraged to contact the Behavioral Science Program Coordinator at (310) 243-2123 for information and for advising. The Behavioral Science Program Coordinator would be pleased to discuss the program with interested students.

Preparation

Completion of the General Education lower division requirements is recommended. Introductory level courses in one or more of the disciplines contributing to behavioral sciences would be helpful.

Career Possibilities

Completion of the strong and diversified Behavioral Science Program will enhance the student's chances for employment in the various helping professions, government and industry. Positions in communication,

recreation, gerontology and health sciences would be likely options for behavioral science students. Moreover, the application of behavioral science knowledge and training would be beneficial in the solution of critical social and business problems.

Graduation with Honors

An undergraduate student may be a candidate for graduation with Honors in Behavioral Science by meeting the following criteria:

1. A minimum of 36 units in residence at CSU Dominguez Hills;
2. A minimum grade point average of at least 3.5 in all courses used to satisfy the upper division requirements in the major;
3. Recommendation by the faculty of the Behavioral Science Undergraduate Program.

Bachelor of Arts in Behavioral Science

Total Course Requirements for the Bachelor's Degree

See the "Requirements for the Bachelor's Degree (<https://catalog.csudh.edu/general-information/baccalaureate-degrees-undergraduate-studies/>)" in the University Catalog for complete details on general degree requirements. A minimum of 40 units, including those required for the major, must be upper division.

Elective Requirements

Completion of elective courses (beyond the requirements listed below) to reach a minimum of 120 total units.

General Education Requirements (49 units)

It is highly recommended that students fulfill their lower division GE requirements by including POL 100 (in category D.2) and one of the following: ANT 100, PSY 101, SOC 101, or SOC 102 (in category D.1).

See the "General Education (<https://catalog.csudh.edu/general-information/double-counting-general-education-courses/general-education/>)" requirements in the University Catalog or the Class Schedule for the most current information on General Education requirements and course offerings.

Graduation Writing Assessment Requirement

See the "Graduation Writing Assessment Requirement (<https://catalog.csudh.edu/general-information/graduate-writing-examination/>)" in the University Catalog.

Minor Requirements

Students completing this major are not required to complete a minor in another field. However, it is recommended that students in the major complete a minor in one of the other social and behavioral sciences (Anthropology, Political Science, Psychology, or Sociology).

Major Requirements (44-45 units)

All courses applied to the BA in the Behavioral Science Program must be passed with a grade of "C" or better.

The following courses, or their approved transfer equivalents, are required of all candidates for this degree.

A. Prerequisite Courses (6-7 units)

Note that as these are Prerequisite Courses only, they may be taken both to satisfy the General Education requirement and to fulfill this Prerequisite requirement.

1. Required Course (3 units)

POL 101 American Institutions (3)

NOTE: To qualify for graduation, each student shall demonstrate knowledge of the Constitution of the United States and the principles of state and local government established under the Constitution of the state of California. This statutory requirement may be satisfied by completion of POL 101

.2. Select one course from the following (3-4 units)

MAT 131 Elementary Statistics and Probability (3)

PSY 230 Elementary Statistical Analysis in Psychology (3)

SOC 220 Analytical Statistics (4)

Note that MAT 131 fulfills General Education, Area B4.

B. Upper Division Requirements (38 units)**1. Required Courses (26 units)**

BEH 300 Res Methods Behavioral Science (3)

ANT 388 Anthro Theories Of Behav (3)

POL 300 Quantitative Methods of Political Analysis (3)

POL 310 Current Issues in American Government (3)

PSY 305 History and Systems of Psychology (3)

SOC 305 Methods Of Soc Research (4)

SOC 355 Modern Sociological Theories (4)

BEH 490 Seminar In Beh Sciences (3)

Note: BEH 300 must be completed by the student within the first two semesters of taking any upper division course for the major.

2. Elective Courses (9 units)

Select three of the following courses. Each selected course should be from a different behavioral science area than the other chosen electives (anthropology, political science, psychology or sociology). Students with a minor in one of these areas are to select all elective courses (listed below) from an area different from their minor area.

ANT 310 Culture & Personality: Psychological Anthropology (3)

ANT 312 Language And Culture (3)

ANT 315 Magic & Religion (3)

ANT 336 Comparative Cultures: Culture, Environment and Globalization (3)

ANT 337 Ethnography and Film (3)

POL 314 American Political Parties and Elections (3)

POL 325 Women And Politics (3)

POL 336 Theories of International Relations (3)

POL 370 Public Opinion and Propaganda (3)

PSY 340 Social Psychology: Psychological Perspective (3)

PSY 350 Child Psychology (3)

PSY 353 The Experience of Death and Dying: Psychological Perspectives (3)

PSY 360 Theories Of Personality (3)

PSY 363 Abnormal Psychology (3)

SOC 311 Global Organizations and Social Processes (3)

SOC 320 The Family (3)

SOC 340 Social Psychology: Sociological Perspective (3)

SOC 365 Deviant Behavior (3)

3. Applied Elective Course (3 units)

Select one course from the following:

ANT 390 Applied Anthropology (3)

BIO 370 Bio Basis Human Behavior (3)

POL 401 Political and Public Sector Leadership (3)

PSY 314 Behavior Modification (3)

SOC 304 Computer Applications (3)

SOC 306 Program Evaluation (3)

**Minor in Behavioral Science (15 units)
Requirements****A. Upper Division Required Course (3 units)**

BEH 300 Res Methods Behavioral Science (3)

B. Elective Courses (12 units)

Select four courses from the following (12 units): One course in each of the core disciplines of the behavioral sciences: anthropology, political science, psychology and sociology. However, students with a major in anthropology, political science, psychology or sociology are to select the fourth course from one of the disciplines other than their major.

ANT 310 Culture & Personality: Psychological Anthropology (3)

ANT 312 Language And Culture (3)

ANT 315 Magic & Religion (3)

ANT 336 Comparative Cultures: Culture, Environment and Globalization (3)

ANT 337 Ethnography and Film (3)

ANT 388 Anthro Theories Of Behav (3)

POL 314 American Political Parties and Elections (3)

POL 325 Women And Politics (3)

POL 336 Theories of International Relations (3)

POL 370 Public Opinion and Propaganda (3)

POL 371 Conflict, Violence, Nonviolence and Peace (3)

PSY 305 History and Systems of Psychology (3)

PSY 340 Social Psychology: Psychological Perspective (3)

PSY 350 Child Psychology (3)

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PSY 360 Theories Of Personality (3)

PSY 363 Abnormal Psychology (3)

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SOC 320 The Family (3)

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SOC 365 Deviant Behavior (3)