

SOCIAL SCIENCES



Bachelor of Arts/Sciences in Social Sciences

The Bachelor of Arts/Science in Social Sciences is an interdisciplinary degree program that will help you understand human behavior. It prepares you with a general foundation across the social sciences, including history, political science, psychology, sociology, and anthropology. Majors give their study focus by completing their degree with a concentration in a particular field of interest.

Social analysis is the bedrock of this degree, providing students an opportunity to understand competing theories on social and cultural formation and organization. Public service is often best suited for majors who successfully master the communication and analytical skills embedded in this major. Nonetheless, the successful student will find that the training provided by this program will prepare them for a number of career paths and further study at the graduate level.

About the Program

Both the Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Sciences in Social Sciences programs at UHD are 120-hour-credit programs. Graduates of either program will also be able to:

- Apply specific social science theory to real-world situations, and recommend a best course of action.
- Demonstrate proficiency in empirical social science research.
- Effectively write generalizations, and weigh conflicting evidence in their writing.

Because of the breadth of content, the BA in Social Sciences program is best suited for students who are seeking a strong liberal arts education. Students in the BA program need to complete 14 hours in foreign language and specific culture courses.

Getting Started

1. **Apply for Admissions**
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2. **Apply for Financial Aid**
fafsa.ed.gov
3. **Fulfill Testing Requirements**
uhd.edu/testing
4. **Get Advised and Register**
uhd.edu/academics/advising
5. **Pay for Classes**
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6. **Prepare for Class**

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uhd.edu/admissions

Median Salary

According to the U.S. Department of Labor Bureau of Labor Statistics, the national average salary of a career and technical education teacher is **\$54,020**, a high school teacher is **\$58,030**, and a substance abuse and behavioral disorder counselor is **\$41,070**.

Earn Your Degree

- Downtown

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The BS in Social Sciences program is best suited for students who are interested in developing more specific technical skills. Mandatory classes include a 3-hour class in ethics and a choice from a list of writing intensive 3-hour classes, such as Business and Technical Report Writing, Legal Writing, Medical Writing.

Affiliated Student Organizations

UHD has a chapter of **Pi Gamma Mu**, the oldest and preeminent national honor society in the social sciences. Its mission is to encourage and promote excellence in the study of all social science disciplines.

To learn more, please contact the Faculty Advisor, Dr. Joanna Kaftan at kaftanj@uhd.edu

Career Options

A Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Sciences in Social Sciences prepares graduates for a variety of careers:

