

Social Studies Teaching

B.A. | Bachelor of Arts in Social Studies Teaching & Secondary Education
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Humanity's story

As a social studies teaching major at Northwestern, you'll learn from Christian professors who believe all people are made in God's image and have inherent dignity and worth. You'll study where God's people have been, what they've done, how they think and who they've influenced.

Passing the torch

In addition to completing the social studies teaching major, you'll receive additional training as a secondary education major. The two majors combine courses in teaching methods with courses in history, political science, psychology and more.

A+ experience

Gaining classroom experience is key to building your confidence. It's why you'll spend more than 100 hours in area classrooms before you student teach. You'll also have opportunity to student teach within a 60-mile radius of campus, or to receive placement in Chicago, Denver, or with an international school.



1 of 25

History professor Dr. Michael Kugler was 1 of 25 chosen to participate in an Oxford seminar on Christianity, the humanities and science.



Accredited

Our accredited education programs meet high standards for coursework and field experience.



\$57,890

Annual median wage of high school teachers in Iowa

Outcomes

Helping students gain an appreciation for history and civic engagement is essential to their development as future citizens and leaders. Social studies continues to be a subject area where there is a shortage of teachers—giving you plenty of opportunities in your search for a teaching job.

Secondary Education 4-year Plan



StandOut

Freshman:

EDU 102 – Foundations of Education – 2 credits – offered every semester

EDU 206 – Survey of Exceptional Individuals – 3 credits – every semester

EDU 202 – Early Field Experience (30 Hr. Practicum) – 1 cr. – every semester

Sophomore:

EDU 227 – Instructional Technology – 2 cr. – every semester

EDU 247 – Reading in the Content Area – 2 cr. – every semester

PSY 221SS – Developmental Psychology – Childhood (or Adolescent) – 4 cr. every sem.

Apply and be admitted to the Education Program

Junior/Senior:

EDU 340 – Human Relations/CC – 3 cr. – every semester

EDU 304 – Education Psychology – 2 cr. – every semester

EDU 315 – Behavior Management – 2 cr. – every semester

*** 308 – Special Methods in your Content (science, math, social studies, Spanish, art, etc.)
3-4 cr. – offered every other Fall semester (30 hr. practicum)

EDU 307 – General Methods of Teaching Secondary – 3 cr. (30 hr. practicum)
restricted course – only offered in the Spring

Seniors:

EDU 409 – Philosophy of Education – 2 cr. – every semester (restricted course)

EDU 415/416 – Student Teaching – 14 cr. – every semester (full semester)

Note: This is a guideline. One of the unique aspects of NWC Education is that we customize each student's schedule to meet their needs based upon transfer credits and content endorsements. The order can be changed, but Freshman and Sophomore courses must be completed before the senior year to reduce course conflicts.