

What you can do with your Social Sciences major



As a Social Sciences major, your primary subject of study will be the relationships of people and interactions with society. The program of study for this major covers many different but complementary subjects, including economics, psychology, politics, social institutions, and more. This program will develop strong problem-solving and analytical skills on top of a deep understanding of social behaviors, all of which will be invaluable in most career paths.

With this major, many careers are open to you. As a sociologist, you could study people's interactions in society and draw conclusions to support a marketing strategy. As a political scientist, you could research and analyze various political methods and outcomes to deduce future political, social, or economic trends. Human Resources is one of many functions needed at all nonprofit and for-profit organizations that would benefit from the skills learned in Social Sciences.

According to the [Bureau of Labor Statistics](#), the employment of those who majored in social sciences is projected to grow 7% from 2021 to 2031, faster than the average of all occupations.

Essential Skills & Characteristics to develop and highlight:

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|  Critical thinking |  Leadership |
|  Collaborative |  Open minded |
|  Attention to detail and organization |  Well-rounded researcher |
|  Communication and interpersonal skills |  Computer/software literate |

How To Get Started:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Assess your personal strengths & preferences | <input type="checkbox"/> Get an internship/relevant work experience |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Research opportunities : online/in-person | <input type="checkbox"/> Consider gaining a professional credential |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Expand your network and improve your professional brand, including on LinkedIn | <input type="checkbox"/> Connect with professionals through formal career conversations & job shadowing. |

Chart Your Path Forward with the [Career Success Center](#)

[Activate Your Handshake Account](#)

for events, coaching appointments and connections to jobs, internships, employer & alumni networking & more!
www.wcsu.edu/handshake

[Explore Career Communities](#)

on our web portal to discover a wide variety of fields where you can turn your Social Sciences major into success.

[Get Career & Internship Coaching](#)

from the Career Success Center to make a plan, whether you're a first-year student, about to graduate or have graduated!

Put your Social Sciences major to **WORK**

Common Alumni Job Titles:

- Political Scientist
- Archeologist
- Historian
- Sociologist
- Political Analyst
- Economist
- Anthropologist
- Geographer
- Survey Researcher
- Campaign Staff

Employers of Social Sciences Majors:

- AdvoCare
- AVN Healthcare
- Regeneron
- West Haven High School
- Carver Foundation
- Columbia University
- GLG
- American College
- Alcedimed

Recent Social Sciences Alumni

Employment Sector

- 18 % Health Care and Social Assistance
- 12 % Retail Trade
- 12 % Educational Services
- 11 % Professional, Scientific and Tech Services
- 10 % Accommodations and Food Services
- 6 % Finance and Insurance
- 5 % Administrative and Support
- 5 % Information

Live & Work

- 64 % Connecticut
- 18 % Middle Atlantic
- 9 % South Atlantic
- 4 % New England Balance
- 2 % Pacific
- 2 % Western South Central
- 1 % Eastern North Central
- 1 % Mountain

Informational & Job Websites

- <https://wcsu.joinhandshake.com/login>
- <http://www.ajb.dni.us/>
- <http://www.nptimes.com/>
- <https://www.usajobs.gov/>
- <http://philanthropy.com/>
- <https://www.apsanet.org/>
- <https://www.ncapsa.org>
- <https://www.nepsanet.org>
- <https://spsa.net>
- <https://sssaonline.org>
- <http://www.cof.org/>
- <https://www.usa.gov/government-jobs>
- <https://www.svp-ct.org/>
- <http://www.publicservicecareers.org/>

Career Communities for Social Sciences Majors

The Career Success Center has seven Career Communities to connect you with career advising, resources and programs. Here are a few other suggestions on where Social Sciences majors can start exploring intersections for interesting opportunities:

Not inspired by these options? Visit our website at www.wcsu.edu/careersuccess/career-communities/ to view more.

- [Government, Public Policy, Law and Non-Profit](#)
- [Education and Human Services](#)
- [Healthcare, Wellness, Life Sciences](#)
- [Financial, Business & Consulting Services](#)