
Liberal Arts - Social Science

Liberal Arts Emphasis in Social Science AA

The Liberal Arts with an Emphasis in Social Science degree program is designed to provide the Social Science student the opportunity to earn an associate degree with specialization of the student's choice. The program provides introductory lower-division work in the Social Sciences. The area of emphasis is made up of 18 units in the fields of Economics, Ethnic Studies, Geography, History, Political Science, Psychology and Sociology. The program prepares students to be enlightened citizens equipped with the broad cultural background essential to studies in the fields of education, philosophy, literature, law, government, journalism, public service and business; all of which today demand a grasp of vital domestic and foreign concerns. Students should consult the catalog of their intended transfer university for any local requirements in addition to those earned through this degree and contact a West Hills College Lemoore counselor for further information or assistance.

Program Student Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of the program, students will be able to:

- recognize the various types of academic sources used within the Social Science discipline, including primary and secondary sources.
- analyze the legitimacy and validity of the various academic sources used within the Social Science discipline, including discerning facts from opinions, biases, the validity of data collection, and public opinion polls.

Required Coursework

Students may choose 18 units from among the following courses. A minimum of two disciplines must be represented (ex. Geography and History or Psychology and Sociology).

Course #	Title	Units
Required Core Courses		
AOJ-001.....	Introduction to Criminal Justice.....	
AOJ-029.....	Criminology.....	
CD-005.....	Child Development.....	
ECON-001A.....	Macroeconomics.....	
ECON-001B.....	Microeconomics.....	
ES-036.....	Contemporary Native American.....	3
GEOG-001.....	Physical Geography.....	
GEOG-002.....	World Regional Geography.....	
GEOG-003.....	Cultural Geography.....	
GEOG-018.....	Geography of California.....	3
HIST-004A.....	Western Europe to 1700.....	
HIST-004B.....	Western Europe from 1700.....	
HIST-017A.....	History of the U.S. 1492-1877.....	
HIST-017B.....	History of the U.S. 1865-Present.....	
HIST-020.....	World History I.....	
HIST-032.....	Cultural History of the Chicano.....	
HIST-034.....	Introduction to Black Studies.....	
HIST-044.....	Women's Roles in U.S. History.....	
POLSCI-001.....	American Government.....	
POLSCI-002.....	Comparative Government.....	
PSYCH-001.....	General Psychology.....	
PSYCH-002.....	Abnormal Psychology.....	
PSYCH-003.....	Developmental Psychology.....	
PSYCH-004.....	Personal Psychology.....	
PSYCH-005.....	Biological Psychology.....	
SOC-001.....	Introduction to Sociology.....	
SOC-002.....	Critical Thinking & Social Problems.....	
SOC-003.....	Marriage and Family.....	
SOC-005.....	Cultural Diversity.....	
SW-020.....	Introduction to Social Welfare.....	

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