Proposed Changes in College of Education and Human Sciences

Following are proposed curricular changes in the College of Education and Human Sciences. If you have questions or concerns, contact Jill Prushiek prushijt@uwec.edu or 715-836-5710 within 15 days of this notice, posted October 29, 2019.

Education Studies

Social Studies, Broadfield Teaching History Emphasis, Comprehensive Major  500-020

FROM:  Current Catalog Web Pages: https://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/interdisciplinary/social-studies-comprehensive-major-history-bt-ba/

To:

Sixty semester credits, including:

1. A 24-credit concentration in History  24

   • HIST 124: World History to 1500
   • HIST 125: World History Since 1500
   • HIST 288: introduction to Research Methods and the Profession

   AND

   One of the following courses:

   • HIST 114: United States History to 1877
   • HIST 115: United States History Since 1877

   AND

   One of the following courses:

   • HIST/WGSS 205: American Women's History
   • HIST 210: African American History 1865-Present
   • HIST/AIS 240: American Indian History

Nine (9) additional credits in History at 300 or 400 level, with at least one course from “Diversity” course list and one course from “Global” course list located on History, Major – Liberal Arts page of Catalog.
2. Additional Required Courses

- ECON 103: Principles of Microeconomics
- ECON 104: Principles of Macroeconomics
- GEOG 111: Human Geography
- POLS 110: American National Politics
- POLS 122: Introduction to World Politics
- POLS 301: State and Local Politics
- POLS 305: Survey of U.S. Constitutional Principles
- PSYC 100: Introduction to Psychology
- SOC 101: Introduction to Sociology
- IDIS 285: Integrating the Social Sciences: The Social Studies

AND

One of the following courses:

- GEOG 301: Geography of Western Europe
- GEOG 308: Geography of Russia and Eastern Europe
- GEOG 319: Geography of the Middle East and North Africa
- GEOG 321: Geography of Latin America
- GEOG 322: Native Geographies
- GEOG 325: Geography of the United States and Canada
- GEOG 379: Geography of Wisconsin

AND

One of the following courses:

- SOC 312: Race and Ethnicity in the U.S.
- SOC 314: Social Class and Inequality
- SOC 316: Sociology of Family

Note 1: In addition to the 60-credit major, students must complete GEOG 178 (II, K1) or BIOL 180 (II, R3) and PSYC 260 (K2).
Rationale: Effective August 1, 2018, the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) changed the rules for teacher licensure. The revised rules changed the specific subject licenses (history, political science, geography, psychology, economics, sociology) in social studies to a broad license in social studies that should include all specific subject areas. In other words, we will be preparing education students to teach ALL subject areas of social studies. Secondly, the revised rules changed the grade levels that education students will be certified to teach from grades 5-12 to grades 4-12. This revision of the broadfield social studies comprehensive major with a history emphasis is in response to these revised DPI rules. Moreover, this revised major aligns with the national standards for the preparation of social studies teachers according to the National Council for the Social Studies (NCSS). With the proposed revisions, we will be preparing students who will be able to teach a broad range of social studies subjects in grades 4-12.