

# Geography with a Social Studies Education Major Requirements

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## University Requirements

- Lower division **university core** requirements **or** (for transfer students) **general education** requirements
- CLAS** requirement
- A minimum of **120** credit hours in acceptable coursework is required.
- The final **30** credits must be taken at FIU (with exceptions requiring the approval of the Dean's office)
- GPA 2.0 or higher**

## College of Arts & Sciences Requirements

- A minimum of **48** credit hours of upper division courses
- A minimum of **9** credit hours of upper division courses **outside** the Department of GSS
- A grade of "**C**" **or higher** in each major course
- Foreign language: equivalent of a second semester sequence course or one more advanced.**

## CURRICULUM FOR THE BA IN GEOGRAPHY WITH A SOCIAL STUDIES EDUCATION MAJOR

### Requirements for Admission into this Major:

1. Completion of 60 credit hours (AA degree) where all the general education requirements are met
- 2. 2.5 GPA**
3. Completion of the CLAS
4. The following UCC courses are recommended:
  - a. **Humanities with Writing:** WHO 20001-World Civilization
  - b. **Life Sciences:** EVR 3013 and EVR 3013-L – Ecology of South Florida
  - c. **Physical Sciences:** EVR 1001 and EVR 1001-L – Introduction to Environmental Science
  - d. **Arts:** ARH 2050-Art History I
  - e. POS 2042-American Government

### Common Pre-requisites (12 credits)

-Two 2000 level GEO prefix courses: GEO 2000-Introduction to Geography (offered in GSS) and GEO 2200-Physical Geography (offered in Earth & Environmental Studies) are recommended. *[GEO 2200 can be substituted with an upper level GEO course with the approval of a GSS Advisor in writing]*

-GEA 2000-World Regional Geography \_\_\_\_\_  
-POS 2042-American Government \_\_\_\_\_

### Geography Coursework: 30 credit hours (10 courses)

One of the following: GEO 3421-Cultural Geography  
GEO 3471-Political Geography  
GEO 3502-Economic Geography \_\_\_\_\_

GIS 3048-Applications of GIS \_\_\_\_\_  
SYA 3300-Research Methods \_\_\_\_\_  
SYA 4011-Social Theory \_\_\_\_\_

Three Upper-Division GEO courses (at least ONE at the 4000 level) GEO 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
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One Upper-Division GEA courses: GEA \_\_\_\_\_

One Upper-Division Anthropology (ANT) \_\_\_\_\_

One Upper-Division Sociology (SYA/SYD/SYG/SYO/SYP) course \_\_\_\_\_

**Education Coursework:** 30 credit hours (10 courses)

EDP 3004-Educational Psychology \_\_\_\_\_  
RED 4325-Subject Area Reading \_\_\_\_\_  
SSE 3346-Social Science Content & Pedagogy \_\_\_\_\_  
SSE 4380-Developing a Global Perspective \_\_\_\_\_  
SSE 4383-Perspectives in Social Science Education \_\_\_\_\_  
SSE 4384-Special Teaching Laboratory English \_\_\_\_\_  
SSE 4942-Student Teaching (9 credits) \_\_\_\_\_

TSL 4324-TESOL Issues & Strategies for  
Content Area Teachers \_\_\_\_\_

**Additional Graduation Requirements:** All Majors are required to meet the following requirements before they can graduate from this Teacher Education Program:

1. Have an **overall GPA of 2.5**
2. Successfully demonstrate **all** the Florida Educator Accomplish Practices – Pre-professional level.
3. Earn **passing scores on the three (3) tests that make up** the Florida Certification Exam.