PATHWAYS | Social Science Education

Bachelor of Science in Social Science Education

COURSE SELECTION

FRESHMAN
- Take EDUC 1010 the second semester of your freshman year
- Concentrate on taking University Core coursework
- Complete University Core coursework
- Complete Admission to Teacher Education requirements, including passing scores on the Basic Skills Assessments, a background check, and the pre-teaching experience, and a professional interview
- Submit an application for Admission to Teacher Education after completing 45 credit hours in your program

SOPHOMORE
- Progress through Professional Studies and Teaching Field courses
- Focus on completing requirements for Admission to Clinical Residency including required Praxis exams for your program
- Submit application for Admission to Clinical Residency
- Continue taking Professional Studies and Teaching Field courses, including Clinical Residency your final semester
- Submit your teacher certification application

JUNIOR
- Complete any remaining requirements for Admission to Clinical Residency
- Continue taking Professional Studies and Teaching Field courses, including Clinical Residency your final semester
- Submit your teacher certification application

SENIOR
- Check in each term with your academic advisor in Professional Education Services (3464 Haley) to discuss your progress and available support services
- Continue to meet regularly with your academic advisor
- Meet with your faculty advisor as needed to discuss individual progress and program expectations
- Meet with your academic advisor and faculty advisor as needed to ensure all graduation requirements are met
- Schedule a mock interview through the Career Center

ASK FOR ASSISTANCE
- Check in each term with your academic advisor in Professional Education Services (3464 Haley) to discuss your progress and available support services
- Continue to meet regularly with your academic advisor
- Ask the Career Center for help in evaluating your résumé and cover letter for your Admission to Teacher Education application
- Meet with your faculty advisor as needed to discuss individual progress and program expectations
- Schedule a mock interview through the Career Center

GAIN EXPERIENCE
- Expand your experiences working with K-12 students through campus and community volunteer work (e.g., Best Buddies)
- Complete your required pre-teaching experience in a school setting
- Take advantage of opportunities to observe or shadow professionals in your field
- Use LinkedIn (linkedin.com/alumni) to identify past graduates in your major
- Contact them to set up informational interviews and shadowing opportunities to gain further understanding of your major in the world of work

GET INVOLVED
- Join the College of Education Student Council
- Utilize AUInvolve to identify organizations of interest
- Explore how to become involved in professional organizations such as National council for the Social Studies and the Social Studies Council for Alabama
- Apply to become a College of Education Student Ambassador
- Pursue leadership roles in an organization
- Develop professional relationships during field experiences
- Use LinkedIn to network with professionals in your field
- Investigate eligibility for the Education Honor Society, Kappa Delta Pi
- Connect with AU alumni and stakeholders to enhance professional opportunities

Career Planning
Auburn University Career Center
303 Mary Martin Hall | auburn.edu/career

The program is designed to ensure that graduates have the knowledge, skills, and dispositions to help all students learn. The program is clinically based and in compliance with the Alabama State Board of Education’s rules for educator preparation. Graduates are eligible to apply for professional educator certification upon program completion.

Classroom Teacher
Minimum Education: B.S.
Entry Level Salary Range: $30K - $49K
These are just three options out of many that social science education majors pursue. For more career options be sure to check out “What Can I Do With a Major In...” on auburn.edu/career.

School Counselor
Minimum Education: M.S./M.A./M.Ed.
Entry Level Salary Range: $31K - $52K

Education Administrator
Minimum Education: M.S./M.A./M.Ed./Ph.D.
Entry Level Salary Range: $57K - $79K