The College of Education, Health, & Human Studies provides a supportive climate to help all education majors meet the rigor of teacher education. Students completing the Bachelor of Science in Social Studies Education program at Southeast Missouri State University receive grades 9-12 teaching certification and are trained to teach social studies content courses including history, geography, civics and economics.

**Becoming Career Ready...**

/ Social Studies education majors will have the opportunity to have three field experiences in secondary schools with mentor teachers before their last semester. These opportunities help students to become experienced, well-versed and confident educators.

/ Students in the program take courses from award-winning faculty in both the College of Humanities & Social Sciences and the College of Education, Health and Human Studies.

/ Social Studies education majors work with students with a variety of learning styles during field placements, helping to develop skills essential to successful high school teaching.

/ 100% of Southeast programs offer a real-world experience. Social Studies education students experience this through multiple field experiences in local classrooms. In addition, there are student teaching opportunities abroad.

/ The path to a successful career starts with you! You can maximize your career development by working closely with Career Services and Southeast faculty – they are here to help you connect your passions, interests and skills to jobs and opportunities in the field. Career Services provides professional career counseling and coaching, resume critiques, practice interviews, job search strategies, career events, networking opportunities and more.

### Practicum Experiences and Employment Opportunities

Student teaching placements for Social Studies education students are designed to provide:

- Extended periods of time in a classroom setting to study classroom organization and management
- Instructional strategies, curriculum planning, and classroom management techniques
- Experience in teaching practices and procedures under the mentorship of an accomplished cooperating teacher

### Admission Requirements

- 42 credit hours completed
- 2.75 cumulative GPA
- One of the following: 1) Composite/Superscore of 20 or higher on the ACT exam; 2) Passing scores on all sections of the Missouri General Education Assessment (MoGEA); or 3) A 4-year degree from an accredited college/university
- The following course requirements met:
  - A grade of C or above in CF/PY120 The Child (Elementary, Early, and Exceptional) or PY22 Development of the Adolescent (5-9, 9-12, and PK-12)
  - A grade of B or above in ED280 Introduction to Education as a Profession or ME222 Principles of Teaching Music.

### Additional Information

The state of Missouri has high expectations for future educators. Students matriculating into education programs must meet the following standards to be recommended for licensure following degree completion.

Students must maintain a 2.75 cumulative GPA and a 3.0 GPA in both the area of content expertise and pedagogy courses. In addition, students must pass the MO Content Exam and the MO Educator Evaluation System for recommendation for licensure. Students must also fulfill other assessments such as a dispositions profile and be cleared through an FBI background check.

### Special Options with Secondary Education

Southeast offers a Master of Arts in Secondary Education: Educational Studies or Educational Technology.

### Transfer and Dual Credit Students

If you have dual credit or transfer credit, please visit our transfer course equivalencies guide at semo.edu/transfercredit.
CURRICULUM CHECKLIST

“Critical Courses” are italicized and bold. Data shows that students who have completed this course in the first two years and have earned the noted grade are most likely to complete this program of study.

Education Courses - 47 Hours Required
A grade of ‘C’ or better is required in education courses, with the exception of ED280 which requires a grade of ‘B’ or better.

- ED280 Introduction to Teaching (3)
- EF400 Student Teaching Seminar (1)
- EX390 Psychology and Education of the Exceptional Child (3)
- PY222 Development of the Adolescent (3)
- SE307 Reading/Writing in the Content Area (3)
- SE318 Techniques of Teaching Secondary Social Studies (3)
- SE350 Pedagogy 1: Principles of Effective Teaching (3)
- SE355 Field II (3)
- SE365 Pedagogy 2: Secondary School (4)
- SE390 Advanced Field (3)
- SE385 Pedagogy 3: Middle and Secondary Education Methods of Secondary Teaching (3)
- SE390 Instructional Interventions for Middle and Secondary Students with Special Literacy Needs (3)
- SE465 Student Teaching (12)

Social Studies Education
39 hour major – No minor required
(A grade of ‘C’ or better is required in all courses within the major.)

Required courses:
- PS 103 U.S. Political Systems (3)
- PS 101 Introduction to Psychology (3)
- US 105 American History I (3)
- US 107 American History II (3)
- WH 305 World Civilizations (3)

Choose 3 hours of Behavioral Science:
- AN 181 Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (3)
- OS 200 Survey of Social Sciences (3)
- SO 102 Society, Culture, & Social Behavior (3)

Choose 3 hours of Economics:
- EC 101 Economic Problems and Policies (3)
- EC 215 Principles of Microeconomics (3)

Choose 3 hours from Geography:
- GG 150 Peoples and Places of the World (3)
- GG 180 Cultural Geography (3)
- UI 308 Cultural & Physical Landscapes of the World (3)

Choose 6 hours of History – United States:
- US 302 Missouri History (3)
- US 350 Colonial America (3)
- US 356 Progressive America (3)
- US 360 Women in American History (3)
- US 380 Sport History (3)
- US 400 Topics in American History (3)
- US 420 African American Slavery (3)
- US 440 U.S. in World War II (3)
- US 450 U.S. as a World Power (3)
- US 452 Cold War America (3)
- US 460 The 1960’s in America (3)
- US 470 America in the 1970’s (3)
- US 507 Civil War & Reconstruction (3)
- US 509 American West (3)
- US 524 American Rural History (3)
- US 525 American Urban History (3)
- US 531 American Military History (3)
- UI 313 The African American Experience (3)
- UI 457 African American Slavery (3)
- UI 508 African Americans during the Era of Segregation and Jim Crow (3)

Choose 6 hours from History – Europe or World:
- EH 101 Early European Civilization (3)
- EH 103 Modern European Civilization (3)
- EH 115 Ancient Greece Rome (3)
- EH 362 Medieval History (3)
- EH 364 Early Modern Europe (3)
- EH 366 Age of the French Revolution and Napoleon: 1700-1815 (3)
- EH 368 19th Century Europe (3)
- EH 370 Europe in the Twentieth Century, 1914-Present (3)
- EH 412 Age of Rome (3)
- EH 416 British History to 1688 (3)
- EH 418 Modern Britain (3)
- EH 480 Crusades (3)
- EH 516 History of Modern Germany (3)
- EH 518 History of Soviet Russia (3)
- EH 520 History of Spain & Portugal (3)
- EH 550 Castles in Context (3)
- WH 100 African Civilization (3)
- WH 110 Chinese Civilization (3)
- WH 125 Islamic Civilization (3)
- WH 130 Latin American Civilization (3)
- WH 410 Age of Greece (3)
- WH 440 Modern Middle East (3)

Choose 3 hours from Political Science:
- PS 104 Comparative Political Systems (3)
- PS 240 Introduction to Political Science (3)
- PS 280 Introduction to Global Issues (3)
- PS 310 Government & Politics of the American States (3)
- PS 335 American Foreign Policy (3)
- PS 360 Political Parties & Voting Behavior (3)
- PS 361 Campaigns & Elections (3)
- PS 362 Political Parties & Interest Groups (3)
- PS 365 Legislative Process (3)
- PS 390 American Judicial System (3)
- PS 490 Constitutional Law (3)
- PS 496 Topics in Political Science (3)
- UI 357 Early American Political Thought (3)

Additional requirement:
- SS 200 Introduction to Teaching Social Studies in the Secondary Schools (3)

General Education Requirements – some requirements may be fulfilled by coursework in major program
- Social and Behavioral Sciences – 6 hours
- Constitution requirement – 3 hours
- Written Communication – 6 hours
- Oral Communication – 3 hours
- Natural Sciences – 7 hours (from two disciplines, one to include a lab)
- Mathematics – 3 hours
- Humanities & Fine Arts – 9 hours (from at least two disciplines)
- Additional requirements – 5 hours (to include UI 100 for native students)
- Civics examination
# Social Studies Education

**Bachelor of Science in Education (BSED)**

## SAMPLE FOUR-YEAR PLAN

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Milestone: Maintain 3.0 cumulative GPA, Passing score MoGEA. Complete 42 hours coursework, and apply for admission to TEP

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Milestone: Passing score Mo Content Exam, MoPTA, 3.0 cumulative GPA cumulative

A “Milestone” signifies a significant stage for a student in the completion of a degree.

**Degree requirements for all students:** a minimum of 120 credit hours, completion of the General Education program, completion of 39 senior division hours (300-599), Writing Proficiency Exam (WP003). Refer to the Undergraduate Bulletin or Degree Works for additional graduation requirements for your program.

All professional education and social studies courses must be completed with a C or above and GPA in social studies coursework must be a 3.0 or above.