

# Secondary Education Social Science, 6 - 12

The Secondary Education minor prepares students to teach in the areas of the Social Sciences (History, Geography, Economics, and Political Science). Students will pursue a major from the College of Arts & Sciences in the area they wish to teach. A minor in Secondary Education will accompany their Arts & Sciences major. Aside from the admission requirements below there are few program specific requirements listed here:

- One Geography elective must be completed
- A second minor from a second social science content area

## Admission Requirements

- Maintain a cumulative 2.75 GPA, all college work calculated
- Complete 75 credit hours, including AP, dual, & transfer credit
- Background Check - all applicants will be required to complete a fingerprint scan and background check
- Professional Attitudes, Dispositions, & Competencies - completion of online form
- Interview with Admissions Board - **April & November**
- ACT/SAT scores **MUST** be on file.

Electronic Application -  
<https://cehhsadvising.utk.edu/licensure/>

For Fall semester apply between August 1 - September 30  
For Spring semester apply between January 1 - February 28

## Getting InVOLved

These programs are a great way to get involved as well as provide excellent field experience. Feel free to visit the website or contact the program coordinators.

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# Secondary Education Minor

Educational Psychology 210 can be completed prior to admission the program.  
All courses must be completed with a C or better.

- **Educational Psychology 210 (3 hrs)**  
Psychoeducational Issues in Human Development
  - **Educational Technology 486 (3 hrs)**  
Integrating Technology into the Curriculum
  - **Educational Psychology 401 (3 hrs)**  
Professional Studies: Applied Educational Psychology
  - **Special Education 402 (3 hrs)**  
Professional Studies: Special Education and Diverse Learners
  - **Theory & Practice in Teacher Education 352 (1 hr)**  
Field Experience in Teaching: Secondary I (Spring)
  - **Theory & Practice in Teacher Education 355 (3 hrs)**  
Introduction to Secondary Schools (Spring)
  - **Social Science Education 454 (3 hrs)**  
Teaching Strategies and Issues in Secondary Social Studies Education
- Total: 19 hrs**

## The Professional Year

The following conditions must be met to progress to the professional year:

- B.A. in subject area, including specific licensure courses, e.g., social science licensure requires geography elective
- Passing scores on the appropriate PRAXIS II exams; both subject exams must be completed for social science education
- Minimum 2.5 GPA in social science major and in second subject area for social science
- Minor in Secondary Education
- Minimum 2.80 GPA in Secondary Education courses
- Minimum 2.75 cumulative GPA in all course work calculated

### Fall Only Courses

- TPTE 574 (2 hrs)**  
Analysis of Teaching for Professional Development
- TPTE 575 (4 hrs)**  
Professional Internship in Teaching
- REED 461 (3 hrs)**  
Developing Reading Skills in Content Fields
- SSCE 543 (3 hrs)**  
Teaching Middle and Secondary Social Studies

### Spring Only Courses

- TPTE 575 (8 hrs)**  
Professional Internship in Teaching
- TPTE 591 (4 hrs)**  
Clinical Studies

**Total: 24 hrs**

**Teacher Licensure is granted when the professional year is completed.**

**To complete the Master's degree:**

- The professional Year (24 credits)
- Additional elective courses (12 credits); consult with faculty advisor for course options. Credits may be completed before or after the conclusion of the professional year.