

History, Social Studies Education, BS

Placement Exams for this Major:

1. MAT 1010 will fulfill the math requirement for this major. You can register for MAT 1010 regardless of your SAT/ACT score. However, your major suggests starting your Science Inquiry (SI) in your first semester and most SI courses require a [Math Placement Test](#) score or exemption based on SAT/ACT scores. If your SAT/ACT MAT was less than 550/22, take the online Math Placement test as soon as possible and prior to registering for classes.

First-Year Student Course Recommendations:

1. R C 1000 or UCO 1200 if there are seats available. If not, it's fine to take both classes in the spring semester.
2. Enroll in **HIS 2201 and/or HIS 2204** in your first year.
3. Students are encouraged to enroll in the classes below that count towards GenEd and the major.
 - a. [PS 1100 - American National Government and Politics \(3\) \[GenEd: SS\]](#)
 - b. [PS 2130 - State and Local Government \(3\) \[GenEd: SS\]](#) or [PS 3430 - North Carolina Politics \(3\)](#) (Preferred Course)
 - c. [HIS 3524 - World Economic History \(3\)](#)
 - d. [CTE 1590 - Personal Money Management \(3\)](#)
 - e. [PSY 3010 - Psychology Applied to Teaching \(3\)](#)
4. Choose a **Science Inquiry Theme. Enroll in one **Science course (Must have math prereq)**.
5. Quantitative Literacy Course - MAT 1010 or higher
6. 1-2 credit hours of Wellness Literacy
7. A [Foundations of American Democracy](#) course (HIS 1200, HIS 2525 or HIS 3728 completes this requirement).

*Note that some science courses need to be taken sequentially (in order). Do not choose Chemistry Connections or Physics with Calculus. These Inquiries are designed for those majors only.

[Having trouble registering?](#)

- Review the [Student Self-Service Guide](#) for Registration instructions and videos.
- If the courses above are closed, [add yourself to waitlists](#).
- Then add appropriate classes from page 2 of the [2025-2026 Checksheet](#) until you have registered for 12-15 total hours.
- Use the [Gen Ed Requirements in the Bulletin](#) to look up Gen Ed course descriptions.
- Use this [Course Prefixes/Subjects list](#) to know which subject to choose in the Class Search in AppalNet.
- Rewatch the [Gen Ed video in PREP](#) to better understand the Categories and Designations components of Gen Ed.
 - All English Literary Studies: ENG xxxx (LS) designation courses have a prerequisite of R C 1000, First Year Writing (R C = Rhetoric & Composition.)

- BOONE CAMPUS students: Here is a [color-coded 2-page General Education checksheet](#) (updated 3x/day) that shows which Boone Campus Gen Ed classes have open seats. .

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Alternative Courses for Your First Semester:

Can't get into the classes above? Try these:

- Choose [classes in the General Education Categories and Designations](#) area to satisfy the Sustainability and Climate Literacy (SCL), Intercultural Literacy (ICL), and Humanity and Its Systems (HUM) categories.
- Choose [classes in the General Education Categories and Designations](#) area to satisfy the Fine Arts (FA), Historical Studies (HS), Literary Studies (LS), and Social Science (SS) designations.
- Choose a Social Studies elective: PSY 1200, REL 1110, SOC 1000, GHY 1020, GHY 1040, GLS 2000, SOC 1100.

**Consider a LSE course or an ILE theme that carries a designation of HS (Historical Studies), FA (Fine Arts), or SS (Social Science). Note: The English (ENG) LS designation courses have a prerequisite of RC 1000.

Use this [2-page General Education Summary](#) to help make sense of your Gen Ed options. Use the Bulletin to look up [Gen Ed course descriptions](#).

Have you built a 14-16 hour schedule using the classes above?

Are you looking for a class to help you build your skills to be successful in college and help you adjust to college life? Check out these elective courses: [College Success Seminar](#) and [Academic Success Courses](#).

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