

College of Social Sciences and Humanities

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The College of Social Sciences and Humanities is a leader in the experiential liberal arts. Students deepen their understandings of culture, society, history, politics, language, and more through the integration of focused academic study and a wide range of experiential opportunities. They use familiar methods and new tools to hone their skills in close reading, interpretation, analysis, oral communication, and critical thinking.

By exploring society's most pressing challenges, students may gain a broad understanding of the relationships among peoples and nations; global economics and politics; the diversity of languages, literatures, religions, and cultures; and multiple perspectives in urban affairs, public policy, law, criminal justice, and the ethical dimensions of human behavior.

The college offers a wide variety of undergraduate programs including 17 different majors, as well as a diverse set of combined major options, concentrations, minors, and five-year bachelor's/master's degree PlusOne programs. The college also offers students the opportunity to create an independent major in cases where their interests and goals are not met by existing majors. Students in the college take elective classes to complement their chosen area of study and earn either a Bachelor of Arts or a Bachelor of Science degree.

All students in the college integrate experiential learning into their education. Students may choose to conduct original student research, either independently or with a faculty member; to immerse themselves in communities and cultures, either locally or around the world; to enhance their classroom learning through the co-op experience in a variety of fields; or to build more flexibility into their academic path in a summer Dialogue of Civilizations trip with a faculty member or a summer semester on campus. Many students pursue multiple opportunities.

Programs in the college offer the flexibility for students to customize their academic experience around their intellectual and professional interests. A support system of department advisors, college advisors, co-op coordinators, and peer mentors helps students explore their options and shape their plan.

Academic Advising

CSSH has an academic advising system that consists of academic advisors located in the Office of Student Academic Affairs in 180 Renaissance Park and faculty advisors located in the college's departments and program offices. Detailed advising information is available on the college website (<https://cssh.northeastern.edu/resources/undergraduate-advising/>). PreMed and PreHealth Advising (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/premedical-preprofessional-health-career-preparation/>), as well as Pre-Law Advising (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/prelaw-preparation/>), are also available.

Academic Progression Standards

CSSH adheres to the university-wide Academic Progression Standards (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/progression-standards/>). Some majors have additional specific requirements in order to progress from year to year (see major requirements in departmental listings).

Graduation Clearance Process

Students in CSSH are required to meet with an academic advisor in the Office of Student Academic Affairs in 180 Renaissance Park to determine their remaining graduation requirements. Some departments also require a meeting with a faculty advisor in their major or program. This should be completed in the junior year to ensure ample time to complete any outstanding requirements.

College Requirements

All students in CSSH must successfully complete their major, college, and university requirements for their specific degree.

EXPERIENTIAL LIBERAL ARTS REQUIREMENT

The Experiential Liberal Arts course designation is part of a CSSH framework that emphasizes integration of experiential learning along with diversity and inclusion at key points in the curriculum. Students with majors or combined majors entirely within CSSH must fulfill this requirement through any CSSH course taken on a Dialogue of Civilizations, any CSSH service-learning course, or an ELA-designated course listed below.

Code	Title	Hours
ANTH 3410	Ethnographic Field Experience	4
ASNS 3100	Asian American Cinemas	4
CRIM 2320	Youth Crime and Justice	4
CRIM 4120	Courts and Sentencing	4
ECON 2350	Statistics for Economists	4
ECON 2560	Applied Econometrics	4
ENGL 3340	Technologies of Text	4
ENGL 3375	Writing Boston	4
ENGL 3381	The Practice and Theory of Teaching Writing	4
ENGL 3400	Opening the Archive	4
HIST 1120	Public History, Public Memory	4
HIST 2000	Native American Resistance: Past and Present	4
HIST 2311	Colonialism/Imperialism	4
HIST 2430	Digital Histories of Ethnic Boston	4
HUSV 1101	Social Change and Human Services	4
HUSV 3520	Child Intervention and Treatment	4
INSH 2102	Bostonography: The City through Data, Texts, Maps, and Networks	4
INTP 4995	Interpreting Practicum	4
SOCL 2485	Environment, Technology, and Society	4
SPNS 3601	Exploring Spoken Spanish	4

For the most up-to-date list of courses for the ELA requirement and ELA options for your major, please consult your academic advisor and your degree audit.