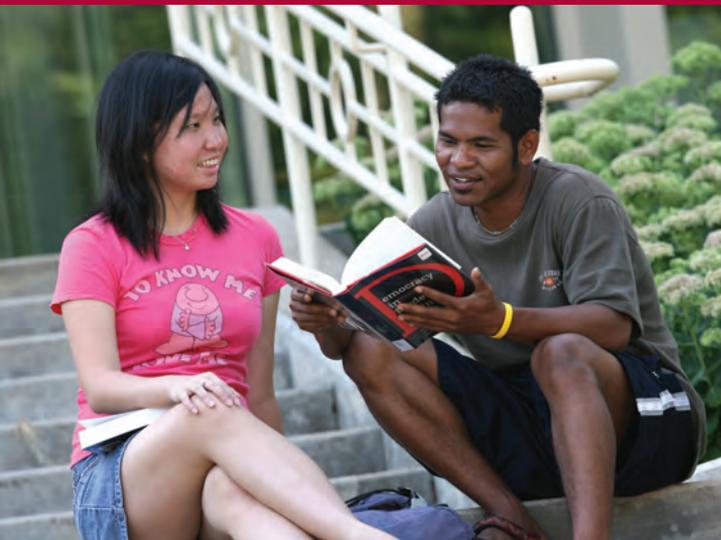


EDGEWOOD COLLEGE

SOCIAL SCIENCE DEPARTMENT



The Social Science Department offers majors and course work in diverse fields of study, yet emphasizes a solid core of practical research and analysis in all of its programs. Social Science students get hands-on experience with the full range of both quantitative and qualitative analysis used in the social sciences.

Students and faculty in the Social Science Department develop a strong relationship through research, study abroad programs, senior seminars, and other opportunities for interaction such as “Kaffee & Klatsch,” a well-attended monthly gathering for Social Science students and faculty, which offers a great opportunity to interact and talk over coffee and pastries.

Student research in the Social Science Department is supported by faculty expertise and mentorship, and fostered by numerous opportunities in the greater Madison area, as well as abroad. One notable and long-standing research tradition is the Dane County Survey, a major research endeavor conducted by Social Science students each fall. Other opportunities include internships at the state capitol, located minutes away from campus, and long-standing study abroad programs in Italy and Mexico.

MAJORS

Broad Field Social Studies
Criminal Justice
Economics
International Relations
Political Science
Sociology

MINORS

Economics
International Relations
Political Science
Social Studies Teaching
Sociology

CONCENTRATIONS

Economics
Applied Economics
Business Economics
Political Science
American Politics
Comparative/Global Politics
Law and Politics
Political Communication
Criminal Justice
Human Services
(Social Work)
Sociology
Human Services
(Social Work)

Social Science Student Organizations

Criminal Justice Association
 College Democrats
 College Republicans
 Students in Free Enterprise

Graduate School

Our graduates have recently attended schools such as California State-Chico, Tufts University, University of Cape Town, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor, University of Wisconsin Law School, UW-Milwaukee, UW-Platteville, UW-Whitewater, and University of Connecticut.

Employment

Our graduates work in police departments and as probation officers as well as in a multitude of nonprofit social service and advocacy organizations. Alumni have also served as campaign managers and legislative aides and worked for international NGOs and for the United States Peace Corps.

Recent post-graduate placements include:

AmeriCorps (in Madison and in Florida), Briarpatch Runaway & Homeless Youth Program, Domestic Abuse Intervention Services (DAIS), Dane County Sheriff's Office, PATH (an international nonprofit organization), Salvation Army, Urban League, YWCA

SAMPLE OF COURSES**SOC 349 - Social Psychology**

An examination of the theories and research studies dealing with the relationship between social structures and personality. These include the study of the social aspects of cognition, socialization, social behavior and control, and selected areas of collective behavior.

ECON 350 - Economics of Labor, Poverty, and Income Distribution

The methodology of economics to evaluate current issues in the labor market, including, but are not limited to, unions, collective bargaining, poverty, income distribution, wage differentials, discrimination, unemployment, education, technological change, and employer monopsony power.

PS 342 - American Foreign Policy

This course focuses on the United States and its relations with other nations, with emphasis upon the forces that determine contemporary American foreign policy.

For a complete list of courses and course descriptions, please visit www.edgewood.edu/catalogue.aspx.

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"I owe a lot of my education and world view to Frank [Professor Frank Casale], and a lot of my political knowledge to Steve [Professor Steven Davis]... when I think of college, I think of Frank's house (either in Madison or in Rome) eating Italian food, and talking about issues of the day. It's a tie that still binds. There were moments of challenge, but overall it was an amazing experience."

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