

## ABOUT THE MAJOR

The BIS Social Entrepreneurship Pathway integrates coursework from Management, Sociology, and a variety of additional disciplines to address complex social problems confronting our neighborhoods and communities. Students will learn how to combine social science and business methodologies to analyze social problems as a means of developing a holistic understanding of the causes that underpin these problems and ways of addressing them. This integrative program provides a broad foundation while allowing students to tailor their degrees to a specific area of interest. Graduates can pursue careers in community-based organizations, non-profit management, and local government agencies.

## ABOUT THIS MAP

The Four-Year Plan is designed only as a guide. It does not guarantee; 1) that all courses listed will be offered during a given semester, or 2) if they are offered that the scheduling will not conflict. Estimated time of completion is based on 15 hour semesters, with no summer classes. A change in hours or courses taken during the summer will either reduce (taking 18 hrs or summers) or extend (taking less than 15 hrs) the time needed. Use this map to help plan and guide your experience at UWG, including academic, co-curricular, and discovery opportunities. Everyone's experience is different and activities in this map are suggestions. Always consult with your advisors whenever possible for new opportunities and updates.

Visit [westga.edu/program-maps](https://westga.edu/program-maps) for the latest version of this major map.



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FOR MORE  
INFORMATION.



HAVE A QUESTION?  
CHECK IN WITH  
YOUR ADVISOR!



## WHERE CAN YOU GO WITH THIS DEGREE?

- Community-Based Organizations
- Non-Profit Management
- Social & Nonprofit Outreach
- State & Local Agencies

## ADD A CERTIFICATE

- Discipline Specific Writing
- Ethics
- Human Rights Advocacy
- Nonprofit Management & Community Development
- Social Services

## HONORS COLLEGE

Consider joining if you have an Overall GPA of 3.2 and earned 15 college credit hours!

# INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES

## SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP PATHWAY

*Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies*

# 60

CORE CREDIT HOURS

# 39

MAJOR CREDIT HOURS

# 21

ELECTIVE CREDIT HOURS



UNIVERSITY OF WEST GEORGIA

2026-2027

# YEAR 1

## TERM 1: FALL

**C: ENGL 1101** 3 CREDIT HOURS  
English Composition I

**S: SOCI 1101** 3 CREDIT HOURS  
Introductory Sociology

**T: BIOL 1107 + LAB** 4 CREDIT HOURS  
Principals of Biology I

**BUSA 2106** 3 CREDIT HOURS  
Legal and Ethical Environment of Business

**I: ANTH 1101** 3 CREDIT HOURS  
Voices of Culture

MILESTONE:  
• COMPLETE BUSA 2106

## TERM 2: SPRING

**C: ENGL 1102** 3 CREDIT HOURS  
English Composition II

**M: MATH 1001** 3 CREDIT HOURS  
Quantitative Skills and Reasoning

**F: XIDS 2000** 3 CREDIT HOURS  
Introduction to IDS

**MGNT 3621** 3 CREDIT HOURS  
Introduction to Design Thinking

**POLS 1101** 3 CREDIT HOURS  
American Government

MILESTONE:  
• COMPLETE XIDS 2000

16 FALL CREDIT HOURS + 15 SPRING CREDIT HOURS  
= 31 CREDIT HOURS

### CRUSH YOUR COURSEWORK

- Make sure to take XIDS 2000: Introduction to Interdisciplinary Studies to start your intellectual, boundary-crossing journey!
- Discover your interests in your core classes. These can help you establish your disciplines.

### FIND YOUR PLACE

- Check out UWG's Academic Transition Programs, and take a cornerstone course (XIDS 2002).
- Explore events, clubs, and organizations available to you! Let the program and/or disciplines you've identified guide your search.
- Visit the Office of Undergraduate Research.

### BROADEN YOUR PERSPECTIVES

- Explore diversity, equity, and inclusion resources and opportunities across campus.
- Check out the education abroad office.

### CONNECT OFF-CAMPUS

- Visit Wolves Vote to learn about the voting process and registration.
- Consider volunteering for a campaign or organization in your community.

### TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF

- Visit the UWG Wellness Hub to find all the resources available to you!
- Visit Health Services.
- Get fit! Visit URec to see all your options.
- Visit the Center for Economic Education and Financial Literacy.

### PAVE YOUR PATH

- Complete a self-assessment to see what careers and majors are right for you.
- Visit Office of Career and Graduate School Connections.
- Create your profile on Handshake.
- Consider applying for an on-campus job.

# YEAR 2

## TERM 1: FALL

**P: HIST 1111** 3 CREDIT HOURS  
Survey of World History/Civilization I

**T: XIDS 2202** 3 CREDIT HOURS  
Environmental Studies

**T: MATH 1401** 3 CREDIT HOURS  
Elementary Stats

**I: XIDS 2001** 2 CREDIT HOURS  
What Do You Really Know About

**P: CITIZENSHIP** 3 CREDIT HOURS

## TERM 2: SPRING

**SOCI 3134** 3 CREDIT HOURS  
Introduction to Social Work

**ENGL 2060** 3 CREDIT HOURS  
Introduction to Creative Writing

**GEOG 1013** 3 CREDIT HOURS  
World Geography

**A: HUMANITIES** 3 CREDIT HOURS

**A: FINE ARTS** 3 CREDIT HOURS

MILESTONE:  
• COMPLETE CORE IMPACTS

14 FALL CREDIT HOURS + 15 SPRING CREDIT HOURS  
= 29 CREDIT HOURS

### CRUSH YOUR COURSEWORK

- Work with your IDS professors in XIDS 3000 to establish your degree plan, including identifying your complex problem and exploring how and what disciplines can help inform your inquiry.

### FIND YOUR PLACE

- Attend UWG Scholars' Day.
- Check out what university associations and community organizations relate to your disciplines.

### BROADEN YOUR PERSPECTIVES

- In a student organization? Suggest you all complete an implicit bias workshop.
- Consider a study abroad program. Check out students' stories of their experiences.

### CONNECT OFF-CAMPUS

- Complete an internship in your field.
- Consider a summer or part-time job.
- Ask your department about networking opportunities with alumni.

### TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF

- Take a fitness class, climb the rock wall, or join an intramural team.
- Consider whether counseling is right for you: take a mental health screening.

### PAVE YOUR PATH

- Draft your resume and attend a resume blitz.
- Learn about how to network on social media and update your Handshake profile.
- Draft your personal statement.
- Visit the graduate school to find out about graduate programs and admission requirements.

**TERM 1: FALL**

- CRIM 1100** 3 CREDIT HOURS  
Introduction to Criminal Justice
- POLS 4217 OR 4215** 3 CREDIT HOURS  
Grant Writing for Non-Profit Organizations or Management of Non-Profit Organizations
- ENTREPRENEURSHIP (1):  
MGNT 3600** 3 CREDIT HOURS  
Principles of Management
- COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (1)** 3 CREDIT HOURS
- NARRATIVE FRAMING AND STORYTELLING (1)** 3 CREDIT HOURS

**TERM 2: SPRING**

- XIDS 3000** 3 CREDIT HOURS  
Interdisciplinary Methods
  - ADVOCACY FOR VULNERABLE POPULATIONS (1)** 3 CREDIT HOURS
  - ENTREPRENEURSHIP (2)** 3 CREDIT HOURS
  - COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (2)** 3 CREDIT HOURS
  - NARRATIVE FRAMING AND STORYTELLING (2)** 3 CREDIT HOURS
- MILESTONE:**
- COMPLETE XIDS 3000 INTERDISCIPLINARY METHODS WITH A C OR BETTER

**15 FALL CREDIT HOURS + 15 SPRING CREDIT HOURS = 30 CREDIT HOURS**

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**TERM 1: FALL**

- SOCI 4386** 3 CREDIT HOURS  
(Summer of Junior Year or at any time in their senior year)
  - ELECTIVE** 3 CREDIT HOURS  
3000-to-4000 level course
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3000-to-4000 level course
  - ADVOCACY FOR VULNERABLE POPULATIONS (2)** 3 CREDIT HOURS
- MILESTONE:**
- INTERNSHIP COMPLETED IN THE SUMMER OF THEIR JUNIOR YEAR OR AT ANY TIME IN THEIR SENIOR YEAR

**TERM 2: SPRING**

- XIDS 4000** 3 CREDIT HOURS  
Interdisciplinary Capstone
  - ELECTIVE** 3 CREDIT HOURS  
3000-to-4000 level course
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3000-to-4000 level course
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3000-to-4000 level course
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3000-to-4000 level course
- MILESTONE:**
- XIDS 4000 INTERDISCIPLINARY CAPSTONE

**15 FALL CREDIT HOURS + 15 SPRING CREDIT HOURS = 30 CREDIT HOURS**

**CRUSH YOUR COURSEWORK**

- This is the time for your XIDS capstone! Make sure you have 9 hours of 3000-4000-level coursework for each of your two disciplines!

**FIND YOUR PLACE**

- Hone your leadership skills by mentoring new IDS majors!
- Consider running for an officer position in a student organization.

**BROADEN YOUR PERSPECTIVES**

- Assess your cultural competency.
- Consider working abroad and research visa regulations.
- Explore practices of creating more inclusive careers.

**CONNECT OFF-CAMPUS**

- Ask for advice from professionals in your field of interest.
- Explore career shadowing opportunities.

**TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF**

- Explore a farmer's market for fresh produce.
- Develop a post-graduation exercise plan.
- Explore your loan repayment options and complete your exit counseling.

**PAVE YOUR PATH**

- Request references from professors and supervisors.
- Draft your resume cover letter and personal statement and revise it with career services.
- Attend business fairs and career fairs at UWG and across the state.
- Attend an interview workshop.
- Apply for graduate programs.