

BACHELOR OF ARTS, MAJOR IN HOMELAND SECURITY STUDIES

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Code	Title	Hours
Bachelor of Arts, Major in Homeland Security Studies		
Core Curriculum (http://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/)		
Component Area I (Communication)		6
Component Area II (Mathematics) ¹		3
Component Area III (Life and Physical Science)		8
Component Area IV (Language, Philosophy, and Culture) ²		3
Component Area V (Creative Arts)		3
Component Area VI (U.S. History)		6
Component Area VII (Political Science/Government)		6
Component Area VIII (Social and Behavioral Sciences)		3
Component Area IX (Component Area Option) ³		4
Degree Specific Requirements		
Foreign Language ²		14
Select four of the following: ³		12
CRIJ 2364	Fundamentals Of Criminal Law	
CRIJ 2367	Police Systems & Practices	
CRIJ 2368	Criminal Investigation	
CRIJ 2394	Courts And Criminal Procedure	
ECON 2300	Introduction To Economics	
PHIL 2303	Critical Thinking	
SOCI 1301	Introduction to Sociology	
Major: Foundation		
SCST 2363	Intro to Homeland Security	3
SCST 2364	Homeland Sec Research Methods	3
SCST 2365	Intro to Emergency Management	3
SCST 3380	Law and Ethics in Homeland Sec	3
SCST 3393	Public Health in Homeland Sec	3
SCST 3394	Global Terrorism & Homeland Security	3
SCST 4363	Homeland Sec Intelligence	3
SCST 4365	Border Security	3
SCST 4367	Critical Infrastructure Security	3
SCST 4379	Comparative Homeland Sec	3
Major: Prescribed Electives		
Select 8 from the following:		24
SCST 2366	Introduction to Cybersecurity	
SCST 2368	Transportation Security	
SCST 3381	Climate and Security	
SCST 3383	Energy Security	
SCST 3384	Water Security	
SCST 4301	Chemical and Energy Sector Resilience	
SCST 4302	Healthcare Sector Resilience	
SCST 4303	Transportation Sector Resilience	
SCST 4362	U.S. Security Post 9/11	
SCST 4364	Homeland Sec & Emergency Mgmt	

SCST 4368	Technology and Homeland Sec
SCST 4370	Intelligence Analysis
SCST 4373	Homeland Def and Civil Support
SCST 4377	Special Topics in Sec. Stud.
SCST 4386	Interagency and Public Communications in HS
SCST 4387	Strategic Planning for Homeland Sec

Electives: General

General Electives	4
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Minor: Not Required ^{4,5}

Total Hours	120
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¹ MATH 1342 or MATH 1332 recommended.² Semester Credit Hours must be completed in a single Foreign language. In addition, WOLC 2311 and WOLC 2312 satisfy the Core Curriculum requirements for Component Area IV (Language, Philosophy, and Culture) and 3 SCH of Component Area IX (Component Area Option), respectively.³ If one or more of these courses are taken to fulfill Core Curriculum requirements, degree-specific elective courses must be taken to fulfill the degree-specific elective course requirement.⁴ A minor is not required for this degree program; however, a student has the option to add a minor, but to do so additional semester credits hours will be needed above the degree program's stated total semester credit hours.⁵ All minors can be paired with this degree program.**Notes**

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Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
Component Area II (http://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaii) ¹		3 Component Area V (http://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareav)	3
ENGL 1301 ²		3 Component Area IX (http://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaix)	1
HIST 1301 ³		3 ENGL 1302 ²	3
SCST 2363		3 HIST 1302 ³	3
SCST 2365		3 SCST 2364	3
		15	13

Second Year

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
Component Area III (http://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaiii)		4 Component Area III (http://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaiii)	4
Foreign Language ⁴		4 Degree Specific Electives ⁶	3
POLS 2305 ⁵		3 Foreign Language ⁴	4
SCST 3394		3 POLS 2306 ⁵	3

		SCST 4365	3
		14	17
Third Year			
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
Foreign Language ^{4,7}		3 Component Area VIII (http://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaviii)	3
Prescribed Electives ⁸		6 Foreign Language ^{4,7}	3
SCST 3380		3 Prescribed Electives ⁸	6
SCST 3393		3 SCST 4363	3
		15	15
Fourth Year			
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
Degree Specific Electives ⁶		3 Degree Specific Electives ⁶	6
General Electives		4 Prescribed Electives ⁸	6
Prescribed Electives ⁸		6 SCST 4379	3
SCST 4367		3	
		16	15

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- ¹ MATH 1342 or MATH 1332 recommended.
- ² Satisfies Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area I (Communication).
- ³ Satisfies Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area VI (U.S. History).
- ⁴ Semester Credit Hours must be completed in a single Foreign Language.
- ⁵ Satisfies Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area VII (Political Science/Government).
- ⁶ See, listing below of Degree Specific Elective courses. If one or more of these courses are taken to fulfill Core Curriculum requirements, degree-specific elective courses must be taken to fulfill the Degree-Specific elective course requirement.
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- ⁸ See, Prescribed Electives course list below.

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The BA in Homeland Security Studies is designed to provide graduates with the following marketable skills:

- Think critically, conduct analysis, derive conclusions based on evidence, and communicate effectively.
- Understand strategic policy-making to address homeland security challenges.
- Understand the interagency environment, the legal frameworks, and the international context in which the homeland security enterprise operates.