

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE, MAJOR IN INTEGRATED STUDIES: SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY MANAGEMENT CONCENTRATION

The BS in Integrated Studies: Sustainable Community Management Concentration combines minors in Accounting, Geo-Spatial Science, and Public Administration and Public Policy to provide students with a well-rounded education that integrates essential public administration, spatial analysis, and financial management elements. Graduates can pursue career paths that involve researching and developing policies to tackle social, economic, and environmental challenges, utilizing geospatial data to design and implement urban development projects, coordinating disaster response and crisis management efforts, managing non-profit organizations to fulfill their missions, analyzing environmental data to provide recommendations for sustainable practices, managing budgets, overseeing logistics and supply chain operations to ensure the efficient delivery of goods and services, and overseeing fire services to ensure effective emergency response.

Code	Title	Hours
Bachelor of Science, Major in Integrated Studies: Sustainable Community Management Concentration		
Core Curriculum (https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/)		
Component Area I (Communication) ¹		6
Component Area II (Mathematics) ^{2,3}		3
Component Area III (Life and Physical Science) ²		8
Component Area IV (Language, Philosophy, and Culture) ²		3
Component Area V (Creative Arts) ²		3
Component Area VI (U.S. History) ²		6
Component Area VII (Political Science/Government) ²		6
Component Area VIII (Social and Behavioral Sciences) ²		3
Component Area IX (Component Area Option) ²		4
Degree Specific Requirements		
CHSS Core (Select one course from the following:)		3
ENGL 3330	Introduction to Technical Writing	
ENGL 3377	Argument and Persuasion	
HSTY 3345	History of Medicine	
or HIST 3373	Topics in the History of Science and Medicine	
PHIL 2303	Critical Thinking	
POLS 3379	Research and Writing in Political Science	
SOCI 2399	Writing in Sociology	
Select 15 advanced elective hours (3000-4000) from related subject areas ⁴		15
Major: Foundation		
INTG 3301	Critical Approaches to Integrated Studies	3
INTG 4301	Integrated Studies Capstone ⁵	3
Minor: Required		
Minor Area I: Accounting		
ACCT 2301	Principles of Financial Accounting	3
ACCT 2302	Principles of Managerial Accounting	3
ACCT 3313	Intermediate Accounting I	3
Select nine advanced (3000 level or above) hours in ACCT, excluding ACCT 3304 and ACCT 4379		9
Minor Area II: Geo-Spatial Science ⁶		
GEOG 2464	Introduction to Geographic Information Systems (GIS)	4
GEOG 4365	Applied Geographic Information Systems (GIS)	3
Select three of the following applied courses:		9-10
GEOG 3363	Computer Cartography	
GEOG 4311	GIS in Law Enforcement	
GEOG 4361	Geographic Information Systems for Public Health	
GEOG 4367	GIS Programming	
GEOG 4468	Remote Sensing	
Select one of the following Geotechnique Applications courses:		3-4

GEOG 4330	Hydrology and Water Resources	
GEOG 4333	Field Studies	
GEOG 4351	Economic Geography	
GEOG 4356	Urban Geography	
GEOG 4357	Population Geography	
GEOG 4359	Transportation Geography	
GEOG 4432	Geomorphology	
Minor Area III: Public Administration and Public Policy		
POLS 2305	American Government	3
POLS 2306	Texas Government	3
POLS 3302	Introduction to Public Policy	3
POLS 3366	Public Administration	3
Select six credit hours from the following:		6
POLS 3338	Victims' Rights, Politics, and Policy	
POLS 3339	Nonprofit Organizations	
POLS 3391	Government Organization and Management	
POLS 3392	Economic Policy	
POLS 3393	Social Policy	
POLS 3395	Environmental Policy	
POLS 4081	Problems in Political Science	
POLS 4094	Political Science Internship	
POLS 4095	Independent Studies	

Total Hours**121-123**

- ¹ Taken first year.
- ² Taken first or second year.
- ³ MATH 1332 is recommended.
- ⁴ These courses are in addition to major/minor requirements.
- ⁵ Students must have senior hours, be in good academic standing, and have completed the required CHSS Core course and INTG 3301 before registering for INTG 4301.
- ⁶ Some minors require more than 18 semester credit hours.

Notes

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Core Component Areas II, III, IV, V, VI, VII, VIII, and IX (including the one credit hour requirement) could double dip from the core and the minors.

Each minor must have 18 unique credits. Students may have to take more than 18 credits to complete the minor.

Graduation requirements include completing all course requirements along with completing at least 120 hours, 42 advanced hours, 24 advanced in-residence hours, and INTG 4301. Students may need to take general electives and/or advanced general electives outside of courses outlined on their degree plan to meet those requirements.

Students must earn a grade of "C" or better in INTG 3301 and INTG 4301.

First Year

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
Component Area II (https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaii) ¹		3 Component Area IV (https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaii)	3

Component Area V (https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareav)	3	Component Area IX (https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaix)	3
Component Area VIII (https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaviii)	3	ENGL 1302 ²	3
ENGL 1301 ²	3	HSTY 1302 ³	3
HSTY 1301 ³	3	POLS 2305 ⁴	3
15		15	

Second Year

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
Component Area IX (https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaix)		1 Component Area III (https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaiii)	4
Component Area III (https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaiii)		4 INTG 3301	3
CHSS Core ^{5,6}		3 Minor Area I: Accounting	3
Minor Area I: Accounting		3 Minor Area II: Geo-Spatial Science ⁷	4
POLS 2306 ⁴		3 Minor Area III: Public Administration and Public Policy	3
14		17	

Third Year

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
Minor Area I: Accounting		6 DSR Advanced Electives ⁸	3
Minor Area II: Geo-Spatial Science ⁷		6-7 Minor Area I: Accounting	3
Minor Area III: Public Administration and Public Policy		3 Minor Area II: Geo-Spatial Science ⁷	6-7
		Minor Area III: Public Administration and Public Policy	3
15-16		15-16	

Fourth Year

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
DSR Advanced Electives ⁸		6 DSR Advanced Electives ⁸	6
Minor Area I: Accounting		3 INTG 4301 ⁹	3
Minor Area II: Geo-Spatial Science ⁷		3 Minor Area I: Accounting	3
Minor Area III: Public Administration and Public Policy		3 Minor Area III: Public Administration and Public Policy	3
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- ² Satisfies Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area I (Communication).
- ³ Satisfies Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area VI (U.S. History).
- ⁴ Satisfies Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area VII (Political Science/Government).
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The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) marketable skills initiative is part of the state's **60x30TX plan** and was designed to help students articulate their skills to employers. Marketable skills are those skills valued by employers and/or graduate programs that can be applied in a variety of work or education settings and may include interpersonal, cognitive, and applied skill areas.

The BS in Integrated Studies: Sustainable Community Management Concentration is designed to provide graduates with the following marketable skills:

- Integration of diverse fields and perspectives.
- Innovative problem-solving abilities.
- Flexibility and adaptability.
- Policy and financial management for public impact.
- Geo-spatial analysis for strategic planning.
- Cross-sector operational coordination.