

# BACHELOR OF SCIENCE, MAJOR IN INTEGRATED STUDIES: LAW, ETHICS, AND SOCIETY CONCENTRATION

The BS in Integrated Studies: Law, Ethics, and Society Concentration combines Criminal Justice, Philosophy, and Psychology minors to provide students with the ability to analyze complex legal and philosophical arguments and a strong foundation in ethical theories needed to understand the law and its application. Emphasis on research, writing, and interpersonal skills prepares graduates for law enforcement, victim advocacy, rehabilitation, and policy analysis careers. The program fosters a deep understanding of justice systems and human dynamics, enabling students to support diverse populations, assess offenders, and contribute to ethical practices and public safety. It also provides a strong foundation for graduate and professional studies.

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Bachelor of Science, Major in Integrated Studies: Law, Ethics, and Society Concentration</b>		
<b>Core Curriculum (<a href="https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/">https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/</a>)</b>		
Component Area I (Communication) <sup>1</sup>		6
Component Area II (Mathematics) <sup>2,3</sup>		3
Component Area III (Life and Physical Science) <sup>2</sup>		8
Component Area IV (Language, Philosophy, and Culture) <sup>2</sup>		3
Component Area V (Creative Arts) <sup>2</sup>		3
Component Area VI (U.S. History) <sup>2</sup>		6
Component Area VII (Political Science/Government) <sup>2</sup>		6
Component Area VIII (Social and Behavioral Sciences) <sup>2</sup>		3
Component Area IX (Component Area Option) <sup>2</sup>		4
<b>Degree Specific Requirements</b>		
CHSS Core (Select one course from the following:)		3
COMS 3375	Strategic Organizational Communication	
ENGL 3330	Introduction to Technical Writing	
ENGL 3377	Argument and Persuasion	
HSTY 3345	History of Medicine	
PHIL 2303	Critical Thinking	
POLS 3379	Research and Writing in Political Science	
SOCI 2399	Writing in Sociology	
SOCI 3305	Introduction to Community Leadership	
<b>Major: Foundation</b>		
INTG 3301	Integrated Studies Career Paths	3
INTG 4301	Integrated Studies Career Success <sup>4</sup>	3
<b>Electives: General</b>		
General Electives <sup>5</sup>		15
<b>Minor: Required</b>		
<b>Minor Area I: Criminal Justice</b>		
CRIJ 2361	Introduction To The Criminal Justice System	3
CRIJ 2362	Criminology	3
CRIJ 2364	Fundamentals Of Criminal Law	3
CRIJ 4385	Criminal Justice and Social Dynamics	3
Select two courses from the following:		6
CRIJ 3340	Women and Criminal Justice	
CRIJ 3362	White Collar Crime	
CRIJ 3363	Violent Offenders	
CRIJ 4330	Law And Society	
CRIJ 4385	Criminal Justice and Social Dynamics	
<b>Minor Area II: Philosophy</b>		
PHIL 2303	Critical Thinking	3

or PHIL 2352	Introduction to Contemporary Logic	
Select three courses from the following:		9
PHIL 4333	Bioethics	
PHIL 4336	Philosophy of Law	
PHIL 4374	Philosophy of Crime & Justice	
PHIL 4375	Feminist Philosophies	
PHIL 4377	Philosophy of Race	
Select two courses from the following:		6
PHIL 3365	Modern Philosophy	
PHIL 3373	American Philosophy	
PHIL 4334	Environmental Ethics	
<b>Minor Area III: Psychology</b>		
PSYC 1301	Introduction To Psychology	3
Select one course from the Experimental Block:		3
PSYC 3333	Physiological Psychology	
PSYC 3336	Sensation/Perception	
PSYC 3337	Cognition	
PSYC 3382	Comparative Psychology	
PSYC 3391	Psychopharmacology	
PSYC 4332	Learning	
PSYC 4392	Industrial/Organizational Psychology	
Select one course from the Personality-Social-Development Block:		3
PSYC 3365	Close Relationships	
PSYC 3374	Developmental Psychology	
PSYC 3375	Psychopathology and Family Dynamics	
PSYC 3381	Social Psychology	
PSYC 4331	Personality	
PSYC 4334	Applied Social Psychology	
PSYC 4374	Psychology of the Elderly	
Select one course from the Clinical-Adjustment Block:		3
PSYC 2315	Psychology Of Adjustment	
PSYC 3331	Abnormal Psychology	
PSYC 3334	Human Sexuality	
PSYC 3383	Psychology And The Law	
PSYC 3385	Health Psychology	
Select two courses from the following advanced courses:		6
PSYC 3331	Abnormal Psychology	
PSYC 3375	Psychopathology and Family Dynamics	
PSYC 3381	Social Psychology	
PSYC 3383	Psychology And The Law	
PSYC 4391	Divorce: Psychological Impact	
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>120</b>

<sup>1</sup> Taken first year.

<sup>2</sup> Taken first or second year.

<sup>3</sup> MATH 1332 is recommended.

<sup>4</sup> 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.

<sup>5</sup> Elective hours necessary may vary depending on minor selection as additional hours may be needed to reach the minimum total semester credit hours of 120. Depending on minor(s) selected, electives may need to be advanced as 42 semester credit hours of advanced coursework (3000 or 4000 level) are the absolute minimum. The minimum number of semester credit hours in residence is 30 semester credit hours of which 24 must be advanced. If minors exceed 18 semester credit hours, elective hours needed may be reduced.

**Notes**

Students must earn a 2.0 minimum overall GPA in all coursework.

Students must meet a 2.0 minimum overall major GPA in all major coursework.

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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, INTG 3301, 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 ( <a href="https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaii">https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaii</a> ) <sup>1</sup>		3 Component Area IV ( <a href="https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaii">https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaii</a> )	3
Component Area V ( <a href="https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareav">https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareav</a> )		3 Component Area IX ( <a href="https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaix">https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaix</a> )	3
Component Area VIII ( <a href="https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaviii">https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaviii</a> )		3 ENGL 1302 <sup>2</sup>	3
ENGL 1301 <sup>2</sup>		3 HSTY 1302 <sup>3</sup>	3
HSTY 1301 <sup>3</sup>		3 POLS 2305 <sup>4</sup>	3
		<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>

**Second Year**

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
Component Area III ( <a href="https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaiii">https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaiii</a> )		4 Component Area III ( <a href="https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaiii">https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaiii</a> )	4
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CHSS Core <sup>5,6</sup>		3 Minor Area I: Criminal Justice	6
Minor Area I: Criminal Justice		3 Minor Area II: Philosophy	3
POLS 2306 <sup>4</sup>		3	
		<b>14</b>	<b>16</b>

**Third Year**

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
Minor Area I: Criminal Justice		6 General Electives <sup>7</sup>	3
Minor Area II: Philosophy		6 Minor Area II: Philosophy	6
Minor Area III: Psychology		3 Minor Area III: Psychology	6
		<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>

**Fourth Year**

<b>Fall</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Spring</b>	<b>Hours</b>
General Electives <sup>7</sup>		6 General Electives <sup>7</sup>	6
Minor Area I: Criminal Justice		3 INTG 4301 <sup>8</sup>	3
Minor Area II: Philosophy		3 Minor Area III: Psychology	6
Minor Area III: Psychology		3	
	<b>15</b>		<b>15</b>

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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: Law, Ethics, and Society Concentration is designed to provide graduates with the following marketable skills:

- Integration of diverse fields and perspectives.
- Innovative problem-solving abilities.
- Flexibility and adaptability.
- Ethical and analytical decision making.
- Behavioral insight and communication.
- Legal research and policy development.