

EXPLORE, ENGAGE & EXPERIENCE

SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

**UNDERGRADUATE
PROSPECTUS**

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ABOUT NTU SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

The NTU School of Social Sciences (SSS@NTU) is one of the four Schools under the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences (HASS) and is home to research and education in the social sciences at NTU. We offer direct entry to a four-year, Direct Honours programme in **Economics, Economics and Data Science (ECDS), Philosophy, Politics and Economics (PPE), Psychology, Public Policy & Global Affairs and Sociology**. The breadth of diversity can be explored through the range of second majors, double majors, minors to complement your chosen major and even a double degree option too. SSS@NTU offers study programmes in various subjects at both undergraduate and graduate levels.

SSS@NTU provides postgraduate programmes encompassing coursework and research. These programmes offer outstanding avenues for students to navigate the swiftly evolving landscape of research and education, fostering their growth as intellectual leaders across various domains through Masters and PhD degrees.

In line with the strategic goals of NTU 2025, SSS@NTU also has 4 interdisciplinary research clusters - **Aging, Inclusion and Healthcare; Cognitive and Behavioural Science; Environment and Sustainability; and Policy and Society**. An **Economic Growth Centre (EGC)** by the Economics division is also available to support SSS@NTU research in the evolving concerns of human society.

SSS@NTU QUICK FACTS

DRIVE FOR EXCELLENCE



SSS@NTU's constant pursuit of excellence has put us in good stead with international universities across the globe.

2024 QS ranking: 29th in Social Sciences and Management



CHOICES



SSS@NTU's learning journey begins with a direct entry into our Bachelor of Social Sciences (Honours) degree programme of your choice: **Economics, Economics & Data Science (ECDS), Philosophy, Politics & Economics (PPE), Psychology, Public Policy & Global Affairs, and Sociology.**

BREADTH



SSS@NTU offers a greater breadth of exposure and study in an additional discipline via a **Double Major** at admission or a **Second Major** after first year of study. Electives through **Minors** are available that complement and explore your interest beyond your specialisation.

CONNECTIONS



SSS@NTU's local and international connections prepare our students for a future-ready global workforce through various formats and durations of **academic trainings, career workshops, and internships.**

Our strong industry links provide students with unparalleled opportunities to work alongside experienced professionals to develop new skills and enhance employment opportunities upon graduation.

ENGAGEMENTS



SSS@NTU's **club and society activities, public lectures** by renowned guest speakers, and **community outreach projects** provide a platform for our students to be an integral part of the NTU SSS family and to contribute toward sustainable futures in business, community, and society.

DISCOVERY



SSS@NTU's transformative global learning opportunities via our **International Exchange Programmes** help students learn more about other cultures, understand global issues, extend international networks, and engage in knowledge exchange at top universities worldwide.

WHY SSS@NTU?



The School of Social Sciences at Nanyang Technological University's (**SSS@NTU**) constant pursuit of excellence has put us in good stead with international universities across the globe. We offer direct entry to a four-year, Direct Honours programme in **Economics, Psychology, Public Policy & Global Affairs** and **Sociology**.

In the new millennium, environmental engineers with a knowledge of Economics will be challenged to find the best solutions to society's

most pressing problems and apply sophisticated technologies to meet society's needs in an environmentally sustainable manner. **SSS@NTU** has a Double Degree option to meet this need too. Similarly, the breadth of diversity can be explored through the range of second majors, double majors and even minors to complement your chosen major.

Be taught and mentored, guided in research, and navigated through your academic learning by a team of dedicated and distinguished faculty

members and leading scholars from the world's best universities in their respective fields. Enjoy immersive and transformative global opportunities, exploring your passions and interests beyond the classroom and boost your employability and career mobility after graduation.

SSS has around 1,700 undergraduates and about 400 graduate students across our degree programmes. A stimulating multidisciplinary education and research in the social sciences starts here!

SHAPE YOUR SSS@NTU LEARNING JOURNEY

Begin the educational journey in your preferred choice of specialization. Shape your **SSS@NTU** learning journey with the spread of choices and flexibility given below on our full-time undergraduate programmes.

SINGLE MAJORS

Bachelor of Social Sciences (Hons) in

- Economics
- Psychology
- Public Policy and Global Affairs
- Sociology

INTEGRATED SINGLE MAJORS

Bachelor of Science (Hons) in

- Economics and Data Science (ECDS)

Bachelor of Social Sciences (Hons) in

- Philosophy, Politics and Economics (PPE)

DOUBLE MAJORS

Bachelor of Social Sciences (Hons) in

- Economics and Media Analytics
- Economics and Psychology
- Economics and Public Policy & Global Affairs
- Psychology and Media Analytics

INTEGRATED DOUBLE MAJORS

- Mathematical Sciences and Economics
- Psychology and Linguistics and Multilingual Studies
- Environmental Earth Systems Science and Public Policy & Global Affairs

INTEGRATED SECOND MAJORS

- Economics with a Second Major in Business
- Psychology with a Second Major in Biological Sciences
- Public Policy & Global Affairs with a Second Major in Media and Journalism Studies
- Communication Studies with a Second Major in Governance and International Relations

DOUBLE DEGREE OPTION FOR ENGINEERING STUDENTS

Two honours degrees - Students will graduate with a Bachelor's in Engineering (BEng) and a Bachelor of Social Sciences (BSocSci) in Economics.

The Double Degree programme in Engineering and Economics are applicable to the following Engineering disciplines:

- Aerospace Engineering
- Bioengineering
- Chemical & Biomolecular Engineering
- Civil Engineering
- Computer Engineering
- Computer Science
- Electrical & Electronic Engineering
- Environmental Engineering
- Information Engineering & Media
- Materials Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering

CURRICULUM OVERVIEW: SINGLE MAJORS

To graduate in any of the subject Majors offered at the School of Social Sciences, students are required to complete 125 or 128 Academic Units from the Major Requirements, Interdisciplinary Collaborative Core and Broadening & Deepening Electives.

SUBJECT TYPE	SUBJECT AREA	ACADEMIC UNITS (AUS)
Major Requirements (Core + Major Prescribed Electives)	A mix of compulsory foundation courses and other courses for Subject specializations	
Major Core	Compulsory foundation courses that provide broad overviews of major areas of each Subject and serve as foundation for more advanced studies	60 – 69
Major Prescribed Electives	Courses that offer opportunities to explore specialised areas of each Subject more in-depth and intensity	
Interdisciplinary Collaborative Core (ICC)	Courses essential for the training of today's Social Sciences graduates	
Common Core	<p>Key Transferrable Skills:</p> <p>Career and Innovative Enterprise for the Future World Ethics & Civics in a Multicultural World Inquiry & Communication in an Interdisciplinary World Navigating the Digital World</p> <p>Global Challenges:</p> <p>Healthy Living and Wellbeing Science & Technology for Humanity Sustainability: Society, Economy & Environment</p>	17
Foundational Core	Effective Communication II Digital Literacy II Internship	10
Broadening & Deepening Electives (BDE)	Second Majors / Minors / Massive Open Online Course (MOOC) / Other Electives	30 – 39
Total Academic Units (AUs)		125 / 128 #

Psychology undergraduates will have to fulfil 128 AUs

NOTE

- [Double Major undergraduates will have to complete 138 AUs](#)
- [Undergraduates reading a Second Major will have to complete 135 to 138 AUs](#)
- [Economics and Data Science undergraduates will need to fulfil 140 AUs](#)

DOUBLE MAJORS

The Double Major programme is a four-year, direct Honours degree programme where undergraduates will read two majors chosen from among the disciplinary strengths of the four schools in the College—School of Art, Design and Media (ADM), School of Humanities (SoH), School of Social Sciences (SSS) and Wee Kim Wee School of Communication and Information (WKWSCI).

Both sets of Major Requirements are of the same weightage and will offer undergraduates the opportunity to specialize in two academic disciplines. The degree structure encourages a multidisciplinary, educational, and intellectual focus, providing academic

rigour and critical thinking skills. This degree programme will also help to facilitate comparative intellectual insights and nurture students' maturity to engage in different perspectives, research approaches and interpretive strategies.

Students will have the opportunity to complete Graduation Projects from each major. To graduate, students will need to complete 138 Academic Units in this course. Both majors will be reflected in the same degree certificate.

Students will be admitted into this Double Major degree programme at the point of entry to NTU, declaring their two majors at this point.

Double Major combinations offered by School of Social Sciences

- [BSocSci \(Hons\) in Economics & Media Analytics](#)
- [BSocSci \(Hons\) in Economics & Psychology](#)
- [BSocSci \(Hons\) in Economics & Public Policy and Global Affairs](#)
- [BSocSci \(Hons\) in Psychology & Media Analytics](#)

Undergraduate Admission Requirements

- [NTU General Admission Requirements](#)
- [Minimum Subject Requirements](#)

Head down here for more information on Double Majors offered by HASS:



DOUBLE MAJOR PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

Students are required to complete 138 AUs to graduate with a BSocSci (Hons) in any of the Double Major combinations

DOUBLE MAJOR	MAJOR REQUIREMENTS				INTERDISCIPLINARY COLLABORATIVE CORE (ICC)		BROADENING AND DEEPENING ELECTIVES (BDE)	TOTAL AUs
	Core	Major Prescribed Electives (PE)	Graduation Project	Inter-Major PE	Common Core	Foundational Core		
Major A	12	26	8*	8	17	10	19	138
Major B	12	26						

* Students who are eligible to do a Graduation Project will be strongly encouraged to do an inter-major Graduation Project. Students who do not do Graduation Projects must clear 8 AUs of PEs (two 4000-level courses from either discipline) within the Double Major.



I chose Economics and Public Policy & Global Affairs (ECPG) as I believed it would equip me with the quantitative and qualitative skills I require to work effectively in the field of public policy and help make a difference in the lives of others by finding the best solutions to society's problems.

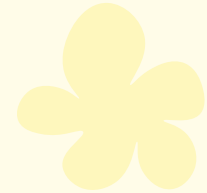
It equipped me with analytical skills that helped me conduct policy work effectively. With these skills, I can comprehend complicated data, propose appropriate recommendations based on the evidence presented by the data, and communicate well through writing or verbally to convey my insights.



JONATHAN SOH
ZHI HUI

**Graduated with
BSocSci (Hons) with
the Highest Distinction in
Economics and Public Policy
& Global Affairs, 2020**

- Senior Manager (Population Policy & Planning)
- National Population and Talent Division, Strategy Group, Prime Minister's Office



**Masters in Duke-NUS,
BSocSci (Hons) in Psychology
with a Double Major in
Biological Sciences, 2023**

- Lee Kuan Yew Gold Medal, 2023
- Internship at HealthServe, 2019 to 2022
- Student Exchange at University of California, Los Angeles



PRIYADHARSHINI



So HealthServe was my first attempt to do more for the people around me. While I don't think I am doing enough for the community now, I try to put aside some time to serve the people around me. It made me more patient. It showed me that some people have it hard and taught me to see the silver lining in every situation. It also showed me what I am working for. Initially, studying was just for grades, to make my parents happy. But these experiences taught me that with education, I can help many more people and do much more for the world.



SECOND MAJORS



A Second Major provides students with a breadth of exposure and greater depth of study in an additional discipline. Students can opt to pursue a Second Major after their first year of study in another discipline offered by SSS or another School within HASS.

To be eligible for a Second Major, students must obtain a minimum cumulative grade point average (CGPA) of 4.0 at the end of their first year of study at NTU. Admission into a Second Major is also subject to availability and requirements for each major.

Students must read 11 courses specific to the field of study, including the Major Core subjects and Major Prescribed Electives. They must complete 135 to 138 Academic Units to be eligible to graduate with a Second Major.

Students will graduate with a BSocSci (Hons) in their First Major. The Second Major certificate will be issued to graduates with their degree certificate and official transcript.

Second Majors offered by HASS

- Art History
- Chinese
- Communication Studies
- Economics
- English
- History
- Linguistics and Multilingual Studies
- Modern Languages
- Philosophy
- Psychology
- Public Policy and Global Affairs
- Sociology
- Theatre and Drama

Head here for
more information
on Second Major
Curriculum:





I remember in my first semester, after reading 'No Logo' by Naomi Klein, and staring at my wardrobe full of the very same clothes from the brands that employed exploited workers and confronting such uncomfortable realities, reconciling them with our perceptions of the world, pulling students into a sort of melancholic understanding of market realities. I think this essentially was where NTU's flexible second major programmes came into play in my education. Having been fascinated by how policy is structured and shaped, the ability to learn political theory, public policy, and public administration helped to structure the skills and knowledge I gained from sociology. I believe that in the next decade, the ability to adopt a sociological lens and mode of policy research will be key to solving the issues of our time.



NG YONG ZHIN

**Masters in Public Policy Student,
Harvard Kennedy School
BSocSci (Hons) in Sociology with
a Second Major in Public Policy and
Global Affairs, 2023**

- Community Engagement Director, SSS Club
 - Research Assistant, Institutional Statistics Unit
- SSS@NTU Student Ambassador
 - Member, Sociology Society Business Committee
- Member, NTU Welfare Service Club
 - Member, NTU Model United Nations (MUN)



**Psychology and
Media Analytics Major**

- Research Assistant, NIE
- Vice Chairperson (Internal) for NTU CAC Arts from the Heart
- SSS@NTU Student Ambassador



SEAH YI LIN



As someone naturally curious about human behaviour and the complexities of the mind, studying Psychology has always been a strong interest of mine. I was also drawn to studying Media Analytics because I enjoy processing information and working with data. Studying PSMA has taught me how to break down information systematically, derive real life applications using our knowledge learnt about human behaviour. Since both majors are analytical, this double major option has also trained me to be more critical and mindful in my thinking and transferable skills relevant to many careers.



MINORS

To further enhance their interdisciplinary education, students are encouraged to explore subjects of interest beyond their areas of specialization by taking up a Minor.

To minor in any of the programmes at NTU, students are required to complete at least FIVE (5) courses which will be counted under the elective requirements of their undergraduate programme. Under HASS, students can choose any of the majors offered in the four Schools or an interdisciplinary minor to complement their Major.



Major Disciplinary Areas

- Chinese
- Communication Studies
- Economics
- English
- History
- Linguistics and Multilingual Studies
- Philosophy
- Psychology
- Public Policy and Global Affairs
- Sociology

Interdisciplinary Minors

- Archaeology
- Environmental Humanities
- Film
- Gender and Diversity Studies
- Geography and Urban Studies
- Global Asia
- Health & Society
- Science, Technology and Society
- Art History
- Creative Writing
- Design and Systems Thinking
- Modern Languages
- Photography
- Translation

Head here for
more information
on Minors:





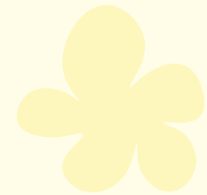
I was always interested in meritocracy and educational inequalities perpetuated by class inequality even before joining university, and I am glad that the eclectic range of topics covered in the introductory courses of Sociology gave me more insights into this topic. These starter courses, along with the electives offered in the major, have sparked my enthusiasm to delve deeper into this area of research.



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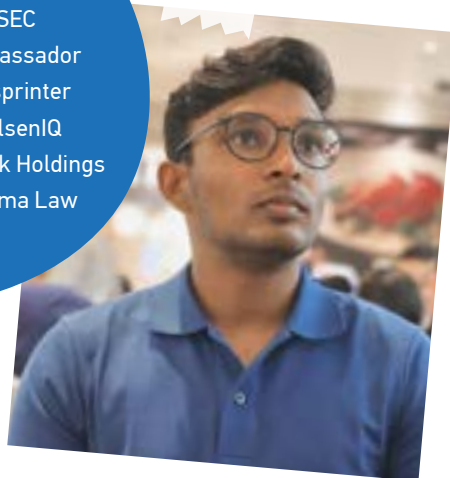
Sociology Major and a Minor in Education Studies

- Vice President, 17th NTU Sociological Society Vice President
- PR Subcommittee Member, NTU Toastmasters Club (PR Subcommittee)
- SSS Student Ambassador



Economics Major

- President, NTU AIESEC
- SSS@NTU Student Ambassador
- Varsity track and field sprinter
 - 2022 Internship at NielsenIQ
- 2023 Internship at Temasek Holdings
 - 2024 Internship at Dharma Law



VIKNESH SELVADASON



Economics at NTU is an exceptional opportunity to learn, apply and develop young minds in Singapore to understand policy and financial decision-making. We are taught econometric and its application in our current and possible future economy. We are also given an overview of corporate finance economics covering firms' behaviours in the financial markets. To better rationalise human behaviours, there are also intriguing game theory concepts and behavioural economics. We read and hear about the movements in policies and financial markets, and I have always wondered about their impacts. And I would say, the branches of economics I learnt have served me much to date, not forgetting the other roles and responsibilities I was offered. I look forward to more.



ECONOMICS

In today's dynamic job market, proficient quantitative and analytical skills hold immense value. Our key commitment is to ensure our students are equipped with what the job market values and necessitates. Apart from thorough theoretical training in Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, and Econometrics, our curriculum prioritizes the practical application of econometric techniques and quantitative methods across various economic, financial, and public policy domains. Through dedicated courses emphasizing applied learning and hands-on practices, students have ample opportunities to hone their econometric and quantitative proficiencies. These experiences not only bolster their theoretical foundation but also enhance their capacity to effectively carry out data analysis, ensuring their readiness for the competitive job market.

Programmes

- [BSocSci \(Hons\) in Economics](#)
- [BSc \(Hons\) in Economics & Data Science](#)
- [BSocSci \(Hons\) in Economics with Second Major in Business](#)
- BSocSci (Hons) in any of the following Double Major combinations:
 - Economics & Media Analytics
 - Economics & Psychology
 - Economics & Public Policy and Global Affairs
- Second Major in Economics
- Minor in Economics

Related Programmes

- [Double Major BSc \(Hons\) in Mathematical Sciences & Economics](#)
- [Double Degree BEng & BSocSci \(Hons\) in Engineering & Economics](#)

Undergraduate Admission Requirements

- [NTU General Admission Requirements](#)
- [Minimum Subject Requirements](#)

Our Faculty

The Economics programme is built upon our faculty members' outstanding research in applied economics and the behavioural sciences. Their research and expertise include, but are not limited to, the economies of Singapore, China and East Asia, labour economics, behavioural economics, econometrics, macroeconomics, and game theory. Many of them have served as consultants to prominent international and local institutions and government ministries in Singapore.

Our faculty members regularly publish in major international journals. The Singapore Economic Review – a major journal in the Asia Pacific – is housed within NTU Economics.

For more
information on
Economics:



GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students are required to complete 125 AUs to graduate with a BSocSci (Hons) in Economics.

SUBJECT TYPE	LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3	LEVEL 4
MAJOR CORE (27 AUs)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mathematics for Economists Microeconomics I Macroeconomics I 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Microeconomics II Macroeconomics II Econometrics I 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Microeconomics III Macroeconomics III Econometrics II 	
MAJOR PRESCRIBED ELECTIVES (33 AUs)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ONE compulsory course SIX Level 3 courses THREE Level 4 courses 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction to Probability and Statistical Methods 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Money and Banking Monetary Economics Financial Economics Economics of Corporate Finance International Economics Development Economics Public Economics Labour Economics Environment Economics Urban Economics Housing Economics Mathematics for Economists II Economics of Education Industrial Organisation & Business Strategies Game Theory The Chinese Economy Health Economics Economics of Mental Health and Wellbeing Economics of Digital Platforms Financial Accounting for Economists 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Time Series Analysis and Applications Panel Data & Policy Analysis Machine Learning and Data Analysis Econometric and Business Forecasting Behaviourial Economics Experimental Economics Cost-Benefit Analysis Singapore Economy in a Globalized World Finance and Development Growth Theory and Empirics Advanced Econometrics Quantitative Economics with Data Science Household Finance
GRADUATION PROJECT (8 AUs)	<p>Under the guidance of a supervisor, each student is to identify a research problem, formulate research questions, develop a theoretical framework, and design a methodological approach. Compulsory for students with CGPA of 3.90 and above.</p> <p>Students who do not read Graduation Project must instead read level 3 or/and Level 4 in lieu of it.</p>			

NOTE:

- Double Major BSocSci (Hons) undergraduates will need to complete **138 AUs**.
- BSocSci (Hons) in Economics with Second Major in Business undergraduates and undergraduates reading a Second Major will need to complete 135 AUs.
- BSc (Hons) in Economics & Data Science undergraduates will need to complete 140 AUs.

ECONOMICS & DATA SCIENCE (ECDS)

The rapidly evolving world demands professionals with unique skills in economics, data analysis, and critical thinking. NTU's ECDS programme is designed to address this very need. It is a collaborative effort between three different schools within the university, namely the **School of Social Sciences (SSS)**, the **College of Computing and Data Science (CCDS)** and the **School of Physical and Mathematical Sciences (SPMS)**. The programme aims to equip students with a powerful combination

of expertise: a solid foundation in economics, the practical ability to handle and analyse large and complex datasets, and a strong grounding in rigorous mathematical tools. The unique skillset prepares students for a wide range of careers in both the public and private sectors, such as **data analysts, economists, and industry analysts**, where they will be highly valued for their critical thinking, analytical abilities, and deep understanding of social phenomena.

Undergraduate Admission Requirements

- [NTU General Admission Requirements](#)
- Minimum Subject Requirements

For more information on Economics and Data Science:



GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students are required to complete 140 AUs to graduate with a Bsc (Hons) in Economics & Data Science.

PROGRAMME	MAJOR REQUIREMENT			INTERDISCIPLINARY COLLABORATIVE CORE (ICC)		BROADENING ELECTIVES	TOTAL
	CORE	PRESCRIBED ELECTIVES	GRADUATION PROJECT	COMMON CORE	FOUNDATIONAL CORE		
Economics (ECON)	24 AUs	15 AUs	8 AUs	17 AUs	15 AUs	6 AUs	140 AUs
Data Science (DS)	33 AUs	22 AUs					
GRADUATION PROJECT (8 AUs)	Under the guidance of a supervisor, each student is to identify a research problem, formulate research questions, develop a theoretical framework, and design a methodological approach. Compulsory for students with CGPA of 3.90 and above.						
	Students who do not read Graduation Project must instead read level 3 or/and Level 4 in lieu of it.						

NOTE: More information on course structure [BSc \(Hons\) in Economics & Data Science](#)

PHILOSOPHY, POLITICS AND ECONOMICS (PPE)

PPE Major is an integrated single major programme merging three highly complementary disciplines. This four-year honours degree, housed in the **School of Social Sciences (SSS)** in collaboration with the **School of Humanities (SoH)**, fosters interdisciplinary learning in society, politics, economics, and ethics, promoting a holistic perspective for innovation and creativity. You will dive into a specialized study in two or three disciplines, reinforced by an interdisciplinary final-year project

guided by co-supervisors from various departments. With seven integrated themes, including quantitative methods, Singaporean governance, Asian regionalism, and issues on the interface between science, technology, ethics, and society, students engage in real-world experiences through internships alongside the opportunity for overseas exchange studies. And as a PPE graduate, you'll gain the multidisciplinary skillset to lead thoughtfully and make impactful decisions shaping our future.

Undergraduate Admission Requirements

- [NTU General Admission Requirements](#)
- Minimum Subject Requirements

For more information on Philosophy, Politics and Economics (PPE)



GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students are required to complete 134 AUs to graduate with a BSocSci (Hons) in Philosophy, Politics and Economics

MAJOR REQUIREMENT				INTERDISCIPLINARY COLLABORATIVE CORE (ICC)		BROADENING ELECTIVES	TOTAL
CORE	PRESCRIBED ELECTIVES	INTERDISCIPLINARY SPECIAL TOPIC CAPSTONE (CORE)	GRADUATION PROJECT	COMMON CORE	FOUNDATIONAL CORE		
45 AUs	34 AUs	4 AUs	8 AUs	17 AUs	10 AUs	16 AUs	134 AUs
GRADUATION PROJECT (8 AUs)	Under the guidance of a supervisor, each student is to identify an interdisciplinary research problem in 2/3 disciplines, formulate research questions, develop a theoretical framework, and design a methodological approach. Compulsory for students with CGPA of 3.90 and above.						
	Students who do not read Graduation Project must instead read level 3 or/and Level 4 in lieu of it.						

NOTE: More information on course structure [BSocSci \(Hons\) in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics](#)

PSYCHOLOGY

The distinctive features of the NTU Undergraduate Psychology programme lie in its holistic and comprehensive curricula that extends across the entire human lifespan from formative years to old age. The curricula cover a wide spectrum of expertise that focus not only on the traditional domains of social, cultural, health, environmental, and personality psychology, but also gerontology, thanatology, criminology, and cognitive neuroscience. With every one of our professors and lecturers being premiere researchers in their respective fields, cutting-edge knowledge and innovative ideas empower curiosity, bolster critical thinking, promote lifelong learning, and nurture whole person development are brought to the classroom. Be inspired at NTU Psychology as students embark on a meaningful journey of job-ready training and world-class education.

Programmes

- BSocSci (Hons) in Psychology
- [BSocSci \(Hons\) in Psychology with Second Major in Biological Sciences](#)
- BSocSci (Hons) in any of the following Double Major combinations:
 - Economics & Psychology
 - Psychology & Media Analytics
- Second Major in Psychology
- Minor in Psychology

Related Programmes

- [Double Major BA \(Hons\) in Psychology & Multilingual Studies](#)
- [Double Major BSc \(Hons\) in Biological Sciences & Psychology](#)

Undergraduate Admission Requirements

- [NTU General Admission Requirements](#)
- [Minimum Subject Requirements](#)

Our Faculty

Our faculty members' diverse backgrounds and expertise add to the world-class training required by our internationally benchmarked programme. Apart from instructing students in the principles of this social science, our faculty members are avid researchers in the scientific investigations of the mind and human behaviour. Some areas of research they are involved in include behavioural medicine, digital health, AI and mental health, psychotherapeutic, healthy and creative aging, end of life and bereavement care, interactions with machinery and robotics, cultural and social influence, personality and motives, and visual perception.

For more
information on
Psychology:



GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students are required to complete 128 AUs to graduate with a BSocSci (Hons) in Psychology.

SUBJECT TYPE	LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2
MAJOR CORES (27 AUs)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to Psychology • Fundamentals of Social Science Research 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research Design and Data Analysis in Psychology • Biological Psychology • Developmental Psychology • Personality and Individual Differences • Social Psychology • Cognitive Psychology • Abnormal Psychology
MAJOR PRESCRIBED ELECTIVES (34 AUs) Choose TEN from a mix of Level 3 and Level 4	LEVEL 3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An Ape's Guide to Human Language • Animal Behavior • Applied Statistical Methods for Psychological Research • Biopsychosocial Criminology • Child Psychopathology • Conservation Psychology • Cultural Psychology • Evolutionary Psychology • Geropsychology • Human Memory • Occupational Health Psychology • Personnel Psychology • Positive Psychology • Primate Behavioural Ecology • Psychological Testing • Social Cognition • The Psychology of Everyday Design 	LEVEL 4 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advanced Topics in Social Cognition • Applied Multivariate Methods for Psychological Research • Cognitive Neuroplasticity • Correctional Psychology • Criminal Behaviour • Evidence-based Practice in Clinical Psychology • Forensic and Criminal Psychology • Industrial-Organisational Psychology in Practice • Laboratory in Cognitive Psychology • Laboratory in Developmental Psychology • Laboratory in Geropsychology • Laboratory in Human and Animal Neuroscience • Laboratory in Industrial and Organizational Psychology • Laboratory in Personality and Individual Differences • Laboratory in Social Psychology • Mental Health in the Community • Multisensory Integration • Psychological Therapies & Counselling • Psychology of Self-Regulation • Qualitative Methods in Psychology • Research Lab in Language in Perception and Thought • Seminar in Perceptual and Cognitive Neurosciences • Seminar in Selected Topics: Psychology of Leadership • Seminar in Selected Topics: Technology and Social Behaviour • The Last Dance: Perspectives of Death, Dying and Bereavement • Trauma Psychology & Crisis Management
GRADUATION PROJECT (8 AUs)	Under the guidance of a supervisor, each student is to identify a research problem, formulate research questions, develop a theoretical framework, and design a methodological approach. Compulsory for students with CGPA of 3.90 and above. Students who do not complete Graduation Projects will read additional TWO Level 4 courses instead.	

NOTE: Double Major BSocSci (Hons) and BSocSci (Hons) in Psychology with Second Major in Biological Sciences undergraduates will need to complete 138 AUs.

PUBLIC POLICY AND GLOBAL AFFAIRS (PPGA)

Public Policy and Global Affairs (PPGA) is an innovative programme offered by NTU since 2013 to provide students with interdisciplinary training and equip them with practical knowledge and skill sets necessary to dissect and solve real world problems facing political leaders, policymakers, and the global community. The wealth of PPGA's course offerings enables students to have a solid foundation in areas of politics, international relations, public administration, and public policy. Students are trained to be thought leaders to confront the problems of today and to design solutions for a sustainable future. Graduates can work in a wide range of professions in the public, private, non-profit sectors, both regionally and globally.

Programmes

- [BSocSci \(Hons\) in Public Policy and Global Affairs](#)
- [BSocSci \(Hons\) in Public Policy and Global Affairs with Second Major in Media & Journalism Studies](#)
- [Double Major BSocSci \(Hons\) in Economics & Public Policy and Global Affairs](#)
- [Second Major in Public Policy and Global Affairs](#)
- [Minor in Public Policy and Global Affairs](#)

Related Programmes

- [BSocSci \(Hons\) in Communication Studies with Second Major in Governance and International Relations](#)
- [Double Major BSc \(Hons\) in Environmental Earth Systems Science & Public Policy and Global Affairs](#)

Undergraduate Admission Requirements

- [NTU General Admission Requirements](#)
- Minimum Subject Requirements

Our Faculty

Our faculty members come from diverse backgrounds and have strong professional credentials. They exhibit a sustained commitment to perform excellence in teaching and research and contribute positively to society. Their passion keeps students interested, engaged, inspired and motivated. Their research projects are published in top-tier journals, making a significant and original contribution to knowledge on political institutions and behaviour, public policy and administration, and the values and ethics of government. Their provision of community services helps build a stronger, more caring and resilient society.

For more
information on
Public Policy and
Global Affairs:



GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students are required to complete 125 AUs to graduate with a BSocSci (Hons) in Public Policy and Global Affairs.

SUBJECT TYPE	FOUNDATION COURSES		
MAJOR CORE (15 AUs) ALL courses required	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fundamentals of Politics Introduction to Political Theory 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction to International Relations and Foreign Policy Politics of Singapore 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction to Public Administration and Policy
MAJOR PRESCRIBED ELECTIVES (37 AUs)	ADVANCED MODULES		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11 Electives 16 AUs must be cleared by reading 4000-level courses 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advanced Topics in Democratic Theory: Democracy & Division American Foreign Policy ASEAN in the 21st Century Borderless Migration Causal Inference In Policy Evaluation China and Southeast Asia in the 21st Century China in Africa China's Re-emergence in World Politics China's Foreign Policy Comparative Politics in Asia Comparative Regional Security Institutions: From Asia to Africa Contemporary Political Theory Cost-benefit Analysis in Public Policy Crisis Diplomacy Crisis Leadership and Management Critical International Theory Cross-Strait Relation Culture, Arts and Politics Designing and Conducting Qualitative Research East Asian Security: Past, Present, and Future Economic Issues for Public Decision Making European Union Film and Political Theory Food Politics and Policies Foreign Policy Analysis 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Geopolitics and Geoeconomics of the Mekong Region Global Cities: Policy and Politics Global Perspectives on Politics and Policy Grand Strategy: From Great Powers to Small Powers in Asia Health, Disease Outbreaks and Politics Human Capital Management in the Government Innovation Management and Policy International Politics of the Asia-Pacific International Security Interstate Conflict Japanese Foreign Policy Justice Knowledge Politics Mass Media and Public Policy Media and Politics Methods in Political Theory Model United Nations Policy Analysis in Practice Policy Evaluation Policy Values & Debates Political Anthropology Political Analysis of Public Policy Political Parties and Elections Political Theory and Psychoanalysis Politics and Government in Southeast Asia 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Politics of the Developing World Power in International Relations: Order and Transition Public Administration: Past, Present, and Future Public Budgeting And Financial Management Public Leadership Public Organization Theory Quantitative Approach to International Relations Qualitative Research Methods for Public Affairs Religion in Plural Societies: Violence, Peace, and Identity Research Methodology in Social Sciences Selected Topics in Health Care and Ageing Singapore's Foreign Policy Special Topics in Global Affairs Special Topics in Public Policy Statistical Analysis for Public Affairs I Statistical Analysis for Public Affairs II The Making of E-government The Origins of Modern Political Thought The Politics and Practice of International Diplomacy Theories in International Relations Urban Politics & Policy-Making War in Film What is a City?
GRADUATION PROJECT (8 AUs)	<p>Under the guidance of a supervisor, students identify a research problem, formulate research questions, develop a theoretical framework, and design a methodological approach. Compulsory for students with CGPA of 3.90 and above.</p> <p>Students who do not read Graduation Project must instead read TWO Level 4 courses in lieu of it.</p>		

NOTE: Double Major BSocSci (Hons) undergraduates will need to complete 138 AUs.

SOCIOLOGY

The NTU Sociology programme is strategically crafted to nurture critical thinking, fostering a profound comprehension of social issues not only within Singapore but on a global scale. The curriculum is diverse and dynamic, offering students the opportunity to delve into a broad spectrum of topics, including social policy, social inequality, migration, environmental sustainability, life course, cultural diversity, and the impacts of technological change and globalization.

Programmes

- BSocSci (Hons) in Sociology
- Second Major in Sociology
- Minor in Sociology

Our students engage in a comprehensive learning experience, mastering both qualitative and quantitative research methods. Additionally, they benefit from ample opportunities to enhance their communication and writing skills. The well-rounded skill set prepares them to excel in various sectors, including government agencies and private enterprises, as well as non-profit organizations and community development initiatives.

Undergraduate Admission Requirements

- [NTU General Admission Requirements](#)
- Minimum Subject Requirements

Our Faculty

Research and teaching are deeply entwined for our faculty.

As researchers, the Sociology Programme takes on questions about present and future societies about interconnected social, political, and economic issues. Over the years, our faculty have shared research insights with key stakeholders—policymakers, non-profit organisations, and the general public.

As sociologists in a public institution, they are committed to playing their part in Singapore society.

As teachers, they bring into our classrooms deep curiosity about the social world, belief in the power of knowledge, and commitment to empowering our students as learners.

For more
information on
Sociology:



GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students are required to complete 125 AUs to graduate with a BSocSci (Hons) in Sociology.

SUBJECT TYPE	LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3	LEVEL 4
MAJOR CORE (19 AUs)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Person and Society 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Doing Social Research Classical Social Theory 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contemporary Social Theory Understanding Social Statistics 	<p>Choose ONE:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Research Practicum I: Qualitative Social Research Research Practicum II: Quantitative Social Research
MAJOR PRESCRIBED ELECTIVES (42 AUs)	<p>Choose TWO:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Social Problems in a Global Context Singapore Society in Transition 	<p>Choose FIVE:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Culture, Self and Identity Deviance and Society Economy and Society Education and Society Environmental Sociology Ethnicity and Ethnic Relations Gender, Race and Technology Graying Society: Issues and Challenges Media and Society Migration & Multiculturalism Organisations and Organisational Change Population & Society Sociology of Science and Technology Social Class and Inequality Social Policy and Social Change Sociology of the Life Course The Changing Family Understanding Globalisation Technological Change and Social Dynamics Smart Cities and Society 	<p>Choose THREE:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cities and Urban Life Development and Social Change Health, Medicine, and Society Power, Politics and the State Religion and Society Societies in Comparative Perspective Sociology of Gender Social Psychology Sociology of Tourism 	<p>Choose THREE:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cultural Politics of Development and the Environment Global Cities Gods, Ghosts and Ancestors: Explorations in Chinese Religions Honours Seminar in Applied Sociology Honours Seminar in Current Sociology Innovation, Ideology, and Inequality Language and Social Interaction Medical Sociology Migration and Development in a Globalising World Sociology of Islam in the Malay World Social Movements Sociology of Aging Sociology of Mental Health Sociology of Reproduction Sociology of Risk and Crisis Sociology of The Arts Social Science Fiction Terraformations: Technology, Culture and Nature in a Globalising World The Self in Southeast Asia Urban Sojourns: The City as Laboratory Who are we? Science and Identity in the 21st Century Youth Cultures and Subcultures
GRADUATION PROJECT (8 AUs)	<p>Under the guidance of a supervisor, each student is to identify a research problem, formulate research questions, develop a theoretical framework, and design a methodological approach. Compulsory for students with CGPA of 3.90 and above.</p> <p>Students who do not read Graduation Project must instead read TWO Level 4 courses in lieu of it.</p>			

GLOBAL EDUCATION PROGRAMMES

Students at the School of Social Sciences can enhance their university experience through global exchange programmes with renowned partner universities, gaining life skills and building networks. The GEM Trailblazer programmes offer unique opportunities to work, study, and conduct research in various Asian countries.

- [SummerNTU](#)
- [TFLEaRN @ NTU](#)

GEM Explorer and GEM Discoverer provide NTU undergraduates with enriching mobility programmes involving over 100 leading companies and 150 partner universities in 30+ countries. Programmes include summer/winter studies, language immersion, and thematic studies in ASEAN and key Asian markets, tailored to students' academic goals.

- [GEM Discoverer](#): Offers short-term programs (2 to 22 weeks) for overseas work and/or study.
- [GEM Explorer](#): Enables students to take courses or conduct research at a partner university abroad for one full semester, allowing them to explore a new country and culture.

INTERNSHIP PROGRAMMES

The Social Sciences Professional Attachment Programme (HPAP) is now a broadening and deepening elective at NTU's School of Social Sciences, offering a crucial 10-week internship in Year 2 or 3 to prepare students for the professional world. Placements, coordinated with the Career & Attachment Office (CAO), are limited and selected based on interviews or suitability on a first-come-first-served basis.

For more information on Internship Programmes:



POSTGRADUATE AND CONTINUING EDUCATION

SSS@NTU offers graduate programmes in coursework and research aimed at developing students into intellectual leaders. Coursework programmes emphasize professional development and lead to a Masters degree, while research programmes focus on advanced knowledge creation and culminate in a Masters or PhD degree.

Graduate Programmes by Coursework

- Master of Science in Applied Economics
- Master of Science in Applied Gerontology

Graduate Programmes by Research

The following Masters and Doctoral degrees are awarded upon completion of the research programme:

- Master of Arts / PhD in Psychology
- Master of Arts / PhD in Sociology
- PhD in Economics
- PhD in Public Policy and Global Affairs
- PhD in Interdisciplinary Graduate Programme (IGP)

SSS@NTU's Continuing Education

programme offers courses for working professionals, leveraging world-renowned faculty and strong industrial connections. Coordinating with SkillsFuture Singapore, the Ministry of Education, and various NTU entities, these courses are designed to help graduates gain a competitive edge in the working world.

For more information on Postgraduate & Continuing Education:



CAREER PROSPECTS

ECONOMICS

Common Job Titles

- Financial Analyst
- Management Executive
- Statistical Officer
- Data Analyst
- Business Development Executive
- Business Consultant
- Data Scientist
- Operations Officer
- Public Relations/Corporate Communications Professional
- Market Research Analyst

PSYCHOLOGY

Common Job Titles

- Psychologist
- Research Officer
- Social Work and Counselling Professional
- Human Resource Professional
- Public Relations/Corporate Communications Professional
- Business Consultant
- Business Development Executive
- Interaction/User Experience Designer
- Market Research Analyst

PUBLIC POLICY AND GLOBAL AFFAIRS

Common Job Titles

- Policy and Planning Manager
- Public Relations/Corporate Communications Professionals
- Business Development Executive
- Journalist
- Management Consultant
- Educator
- Business Consultant
- Financial Analyst
- Human Resource Professional
- Management Executive

SOCIOLOGY

Common Job Titles

- Public Relations/Corporate Communications Professional
- Policy and Planning Manager
- Human Resource Professional
- Advertising/Public Relations Manager
- Management Executive
- Research Officer
- Social Welfare Manager
- Business Consultant
- Market Research Analyst
- Sales and Marketing Manager





APPLY AT **SSS@NTU**

If you are interested in our programmes and are keen to be a part of SSS, we look forward to receiving your application.

Apply Online

Refer to the [Admissions Guide](#) on the NTU Admissions page for the different application periods for different groups of applicants. Some applicants may also be required to attend selection interviews.

Do you have exceptional talents and/or outstanding achievements, or are you a national athlete? You can consider applying through NTU's [Aptitude-based Admissions](#).

Refer to the Indicative Grade Profile

Grade profiles, GPAs, and programme places vary from year to year, depending on the performance of applicants and the number of places available. They are not definite and should be used as a guide only.

Refer to [Indicative Grade Profile](#) available at NTU Admissions page.

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