SOCIAL SCIENCES (OPEN)

The Social Sciences explore human society, culture, and civilization through the study of social, cultural, political, environmental, and psychological relationships. Through the Social Sciences, you will be able to think critically about the impacts that human groups have on one another so that you can better understand the decisions that individuals make and work toward building stronger communities.

DORNSIFE SOCIAL SCIENCE MAJORS

- Anthropology
- Cognitive Science
- Economics
- GeoDesign
- Global Geodesign
- Global Studies
- Health and Human Sciences
- Human Security and Geospatial Intelligence
- Intelligence and Cyber Operations
- International Relations

- International Relations (Global Business)
- International Relations and the Global Economy
- Linguistics
- Middle East Studies
- NGOs and Social Change
- Political Economy
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Sociology

ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITIES

Study Abroad: Don’t just read about the world -- engage with it! Spend a semester abroad in locations such as Australia, South Korea, or South Africa. Or, opt for a short-term experience through a Maymester or Problems Without Passports course. Explore conflict resolution and peace in Rwanda; travel to Iceland, Norway, and Finland to investigate complex issues surrounding climate change and its impact on the Arctic; or examine the politics of language revitalization in Ireland.

Field Experiences and Internships: Obtain hands-on experiences to enhance your classroom study. GeoDesign majors take on a capstone experience in their senior year in which they apply their skills on a project with a real client. International Relations majors can travel to Brussels, Belgium to engage in an internship while learning about the European Union. Numerous opportunities are available to explore your passions even further.

Research: Students can work with faculty members on a variety of research projects. Address problems of sustainability, health, and urban planning through work with faculty in the Spatial Sciences Institute; take on interdisciplinary research on issues at the intersection of climate change, security, and economic development through the Security and Political Economy (SPEC) Lab; investigate how people recognize shapes and objects with Psychology faculty.

For additional information, please consult the USC Catalogue.