

BA Social Sciences

Flexibility / Diversity / Extensive Module Choice

First Year

Compulsory Unit

Title	Units
Engaging with Social Research	20

Optional Units

Take a 20 credit from at least three disciplines

Philosophy

Introduction to Ethics	20
Critical Thinking	20
Introduction to Metaphysics and Epistemology	20
Introduction to Philosophy of Mind	20
History of Philosophy	20

Politics

Introduction to Comparative Politics	20
Introduction to International Politics	20
Introduction to Political Theory	20
Making Sense of Politics	20
Politics of the Global Economy	20
British Politics: Power and the State	20

Social Anthropology

Power and Culture: Inequality in Everyday Life	20
Cultural Diversity in Global Perspective	20
Key Ideas in Social Anthropology	20
Regional Studies of Culture I + II	20 each
Introduction to Business Anthropology	20

Sociology

British Society in a Globalising World	20
Contemporary Social Thought	20
Global Social Challenges	20
Foundations of Social Thought	20
Media, Culture and Society	20
Sociology of Personal Life	20
Work, Organisations and Society	20

Criminology

Crime and Society	20
Foundations of Criminal Justice	20
Psychology, Crime and Criminal Justice	20
Criminal Law	20

Quantitative Methods

Applied Statistics for Social Scientists	20
Understanding Social Media	20
Measuring Inequalities	20

Second Year

Students specialising in one pathway must take a minimum of 60 credits or a maximum of 80 credits from that pathway. Students specialising in two pathways must take at least 40 credits from each pathway.

Final Year

Students specialising in one pathway must take a minimum of 60 credits or a maximum of 80 credits from that pathway. Students must take a dissertation from their pathway area. Students specialising in two pathways must take at least 40 credits from each pathway.

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The BA(Social Sciences) programme is made up of six discipline areas:

Criminology is the study of the causes and consequences of crime.

Philosophy addresses fundamental problems such as the nature of knowledge, truth and values.

Politics explores human organisation, government and power.

Social Anthropology looks at societies and culture across the globe in comparative perspective.

Sociology is the study of society, and examines such issues as social inequalities and the forms of everyday life.

Quantitative Methods is the study of data and analysis to understand the social world.

"I applied to the BASS course as it offered a varied and flexible choice of units to choose from"

Catherine Priest,
Current BA Social Sciences Student

Students take 120 credits per year

These are examples of course units offered in 2019 / 20 and are subject to change

Below is an example timetable for a BA(Social Sciences) Philosophy and Politics specialist.

Semester One

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
09:00	Critical Thinking - Lecture	Critical Thinking - Lecture			Engaging With Social Research - Lecture
10:00		Introduction to Ethics	Power and Culture - Lecture	Academic Advisor meetings	
11:00					Power and Culture - Tutorial
12:00	1-2-1 Office hours			Introduction to Ethics	
13:00		Cultural and Society: An Introduction to Social Anthropology - Lecture		Power and Culture - Lecture	
14:00	Engaging With Social Research - Tutorial				
15:00					Critical Thinking - Tutorial

Semester Two

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
11:00	Britain in the Global Context - Tutorial		Introduction to Metaphysics and Epistemology - Lecture		Introduction to Metaphysics and Epistemology - Tutorial
12:00	Introduction to Political Theory - Tutorial	Introduction to Metaphysics and Epistemology - Lecture	1-2-1 Office hours		
13:00					Britain in the Global Context - Lecture
14:00		Introduction to Political Theory - Lecture		Introduction to Political Theory - Lecture	Academic Advisor meetings
15:00					