

SDS - SOCIAL POLICY AND SOCIAL ACTION SPECIALIZATION

EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 2025 - PRESENT

Student Name: _____
Plan Version (term/year added): _____ Date: _____

REQUIREMENTS: Completion of 6 COURSES from the following options:

✓ **AT LEAST 4 FROM:**

<input type="checkbox"/>	SDS 210R/LS 273*	<input type="checkbox"/>	SDS 331R*	<input type="checkbox"/>	SDS 445R
<input type="checkbox"/>	SDS 231R	<input type="checkbox"/>	SDS 388R	<input type="checkbox"/>	SDS 451R
<input type="checkbox"/>	SDS 260R	<input type="checkbox"/>	SDS 400R*	<input type="checkbox"/>	SOCWK 222R*
<input type="checkbox"/>	SDS 311R/LS 373	<input type="checkbox"/>	SDS 411R	<input type="checkbox"/>	SOCWK 300R*
<input type="checkbox"/>	SDS 312R	<input type="checkbox"/>	SDS 441R	<input type="checkbox"/>	SOC 224R
<input type="checkbox"/>	SDS 322R				

**available online, pending term.*

This specialization cannot be done with only online courses.

NOTE: (Optional) Courses below can only count if the topic covered fits within the scope of this specialization.
See an SDS academic advisor for more information.

<input type="checkbox"/>	SOC, SOCWK, or SDS 450R	Special Topics. <i>Topic must be approved.</i>
<input type="checkbox"/>	SDS 490R	Special Studies. Application Required. <i>Topic must be approved.</i>
<input type="checkbox"/>	SDS 495R	Research Apprenticeship. Application Required. <i>Topic must be approved.</i>
<input type="checkbox"/>	SDS 496R	Applied Apprenticeship. Application Required. <i>Topic must be approved.</i>
<input type="checkbox"/>	SDS 499A	Honours Thesis. Application Required. <i>Topic must be approved. <u>Must take 499B.</u></i>
<input type="checkbox"/>	SDS 499B	Honours Thesis. Application Required. <i>Topic must be approved.</i>

✓ **UP TO 2** courses allowed from this list, if all 6 have not been completed from the options above:

<input type="checkbox"/>	ENGL 309G/GSJ 309/ HIST 309/COMMST 434	<input type="checkbox"/>	HIST 389	<input type="checkbox"/>	PLAN 340
<input type="checkbox"/>	GSJ 304	<input type="checkbox"/>	HLTH 260/GSJ 260	<input type="checkbox"/>	PLAN 431
<input type="checkbox"/>	HIST 221	<input type="checkbox"/>	HLTH 410	<input type="checkbox"/>	PSCI 260/LS 206
<input type="checkbox"/>	HIST 258	<input type="checkbox"/>	INDEV 302	<input type="checkbox"/>	PSCI 334/SOC 334
<input type="checkbox"/>	HIST 369/PSCI 369	<input type="checkbox"/>	PHIL 328/LS 352	<input type="checkbox"/>	PSCI 472
				<input type="checkbox"/>	RCS/GSJ 301R

This checklist is to be used as a worksheet only.

Students are responsible for understanding and meeting plan requirements. Seek clarification if needed.

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Social Policy and Social Action: Required course options

SDS 210R/LS 273 Children's Rights in Canada
SDS 231R Introduction to Social Policy Processes
SDS 260R Ecology, Society, and Justice: Social Development and the Environment
SDS 311R/LS 373 Indigenous Peoples and Canadian Public Policy
SDS 312R Homelessness and Public Policy
SDS 322R Community Engagement and Social Development
SDS 331R Social Inequality, Social Justice, and Social Action
SDS 388R Globalization and Social Development
SDS 400R Comparative Social Policy
SDS 411R Decolonization and Social Action
SDS 441R Popular Culture and Social Change in the Radical Imagination
SDS 445R Pedagogies of Democratic Education
SDS 451R Community Based Research for Social Development
SOCWK 222R Community Organization 1
SOCWK 300R Canadian Social Welfare Policy
SOC 224R Poverty in Canada and its Social Consequences

**Academic Calendar Plan
Requirements:**



Social Policy and Social Action: Optional courses

ENGL 309G/GSJ 309/HIST 309/COMMST 434 The Discourse of Dissent
GSJ 304 Research as Resistance
HIST 221 Racism and Response in Canadian History
HIST 258 The United States since the Civil War Era
HIST 369/ PSCI 369 The Politics of Decolonization
HIST 389 Canada in World Affairs
HLTH 260/GSJ 260 Social Determinants of Health
HLTH 410 Health Policy
INDEV 302 Development Agents
PHIL 328/ LS 352 Human Rights
PLAN 340 Canadian Environmental Policy and Politics
PLAN 431 Issues in Housing
PSCI 260/ LS 206 Canadian Government and Politics
PSCI 334/ SOC 334 Public Policy
PSCI 472 Gender and Public Policy
RCS/GSJ 301R Socially Engaged Buddhism

* Always refer to the current undergraduate calendar for up-to-date course names, pre-requisites, and anti-requisites *