

Commerce and Society Minor

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The minor is a great option for:

Entrepreneurial and socially-conscious students interested in learning sustainable, equitable business practices.

Intellectually curious students who want to take courses from multiple different departments on campus like political science, global studies, business, and economics.

Independent students who want to tailor the minor to their schedule and their interests.

Code	Title	Credits
Preliminary Core:		12
PHIL 120	Ethics of Enterprise and Exchange	
GLBL 270	Globalization and the Global Economy (Globalization and the Global Economy (In workflow))	
PS 210	Politics of Business	
Specialization Courses ¹		24
Anthropology		
ANTH 114	Anthropology of Pirates and Piracy	
ANTH 223	Anthropology of Chocolate	
ANTH 329	Immigration and Farmworkers	
Business		
BA 101	Introduction to Business	
BA 252	Global Perspectives in Business	
Economics		
EC 101	Contemporary Economic Issues	
Geography		
GEOG 342	Geography of Globalization	
GEOG 448	Tourism and Development	
GEOG 465	Environment and Development	
Prereq: Junior standing		
GEOG 468	Contemporary Food Systems	
History		
HIST 326	Colonial and Postcolonial Africa	
HIST 351	American Radicalism	
HIST 363	American Business History	

HIST 386	India
HIST 463	American Economic History: [Topic]
HIST 470	African American History to 1877: [Topic]
Global Studies	
GLBL 240	Perspectives on International Development
GLBL 425	Global Food Security
GLBL 431	Cross-Cultural Communication
Journalism/Media Studies	
J 201	Media and Society
J 320	Gender, Media, and Diversity (Prereq: J 201)
J 396	International Communication (Prereq: J 201)
J 397	Media Ethics (Prereq: J 201)
Law	
LAW 104	Introduction to Business Law
Philosophy	
PHIL 123	Internet, Society, and Philosophy
PHIL 220	Food Ethics
PHIL 225	Introduction to Formal Logic
PHIL 309	Global Justice
Political Science	
PS 312	Shadows of Modernity
PS 337	The Politics of Development
PS 340	International Political Economy
Recommended: EC 201, EC 202 or PS 205	
PS 477	International Environmental Politics
PS 479	U.S. Interventions in Developing Nations
PS 495	United States Political Economy
Sociology	
SOC 346	Work and Occupations
SOC 370	Urban Sociology
SOC 442	Issues in Urban Sociology: [Topic]
SOC 446	Issues in Sociology of Work: [Topic]
SOC 447	Issues in Sociology of Organizations: [Topic]
Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies	
WGS 341	Women, Work, and Class
WGS 432	Gender, Environment, and Development
Total Credits	36

¹ The courses on this list do not have pre-requisites (except where noted). Students are encouraged to request approval of new upper-division courses from any department on related topics and courses that have pre-requisites (in cases where students have completed the required pre-reqs).

Students may take no more than 3 courses from the same subject code (includes both preliminary core and specialization courses). All courses must be taken for a letter grade and be passed with a C- or better. At least 16 credits must be upper-division courses. At least one course must be at the 400 level; it is recommended that students select a 400-level course from a subject code in which they have previously taken a course. Topics courses count toward the minor no matter what the topic.

The Commerce and Society minor is designed for students that are not majoring in GSS-Applied Economic, Business, and Society. A GSS-AEBS major will not be permitted to declare this minor in Commerce and Society.