SOCIAL RESEARCH AND PUBLIC POLICY (MINOR)

Program Description

Designing and evaluating policy depends on social science theory and research. The program in Social Research and Public Policy offers rigorous training with courses in economics, political science, sociology, and anthropology, as well as courses in quantitative and qualitative research methods, which enable students to critically evaluate research findings and produce original research. Social Research and Public Policy is attractive to students who are concerned with the major social problems of our times such as international migration, unequal economic development, poverty, racism and sexism, inequality, ethnic conflict, as well as health inequality and population dynamics.

The program aims to inspire students' critical theoretical imagination and helps them to make better sense of the world around themselves. SRPP majors will be regarded as excellent candidates for law school, and for graduate programs in the social sciences, in public policy, business school, public health, education, urban planning, and social work. Graduates work with NGO's, in public service, urban planning, and community action.

Its breadth and its emphasis on critical thinking and hands-on empirical research, especially research linked to policy questions, distinguish the major in Social Research and Public Policy. Social Research and Public Policy majors will produce a piece of original research to meet the capstone requirement. Students may collect their own data, conduct simulations, or reanalyze available data to make a contribution to the research in the field of their choice. Students will work with a faculty mentor to develop and implement their research design. Students who wish to do fieldwork abroad should develop the project in the spring of junior year and obtain approval from the faculty mentor to collect data during the summer before senior year. NYUAD's Institutional Review Board must approve all projects that involve human subjects before data collection begins. Seniors will attend a bi-weekly colloquium, which is moderated by a faculty member and serves as a forum for peer review and feedback on progress with the project.

The study away pathway for the Social Research and Public Policy major can be found on the NYUAD Student Portal (http://students.nyuad.nyu.edu/pathways/). Students with questions should contact the Office of Global Education.

The minor in Social Research and Public Policy is open to all NYUAD students. Please note that only courses offered in/crosslisted with the program are eligible to count for electives in the minor. Exceptions for courses offered elsewhere in the NYU global network must be approved by the Program Head.

Program Requirements

Course	Title	Credits
Minor Required Courses		
SOCSC-UH 1010Q	Statistics for the Social and Behavioral Sciences	4
SOCSC-UH 1011	Global Economic, Political and Social Development (GEPS)	4
SOCSC-UH 1113	Introduction to the Study of Society	4
or SOCSC-UH 1112	Introduction to Political Thinking	
Minor Electives (see lists below)		
Electives for the SRPP minor must have a subject code of SRPP-UH.		
Complete 1 Institutions and Public Policy from the approved list below		4
Complete 1 additional elective from the approved list below		4
Total Credits		**20**

Institutions and Public Policy Electives

Course	Title	Credits
SRPP-UH 1617	Sociology of Entrepreneurship	4
SRPP-UH 1701	International Migration in Global Perspective	4
SRPP-UH 1816	Crime and Deviance	4
SRPP-UH 1818	Gender, Policy and Politics	4
SRPP-UH 2414	Global Family Policies and Laws	4
SRPP-UH 2419	Migration Policy	4
SRPP-UH 2420	The Mafia Business: Sociological Approach	4
SRPP-UH 2610	Introduction to Public Policy	4
SRPP-UH 2611	Social Policy	4
SRPP-UH 2612X	State Formation: The Case of the United Arab Emirates	4
SRPP-UH 2614X	Women and Work in the Gulf	4
SRPP-UH 2616	Immigration, Ethnicity and Public Policy	4
SRPP-UH 2618	Welfare States in Comparative Perspective	4
SRPP-UH 2619	Leadership and Diplomacy	4
SRPP-UH 2620	Education and Society	4
SRPP-UH 2421	Sociology of Economic Life	4
SRPP-UH 2627	Organizations and Society	4
SRPP-UH 2629	Education Policy Analysis and Design	4
SRPP-UH 2630	Social Impact Design for Policy and Business	4
SRPP-UH 3610	Methods of Public Policy Analysis	4

Additional Electives

Course	Title	Credits
SRPP-UH 1413X	Social Change and Development in the Arab World	4
SRPP-UH 1617	Sociology of Entrepreneurship	4
SRPP-UH 1701	International Migration in Global Perspective	4
SRPP-UH 1810X	Islam and Society	4
SRPP-UH 1816	Crime and Deviance	4
SRPP-UH 1818	Gender, Policy and Politics	4
SRPP-UH 2211	Ethnographic Field Research	4
SRPP-UH 2214	Interview Methods	4
SRPP-UH 2410	Gender and Society	4
SRPP-UH 2411		4
SRPP-UH 2412X	Islamist Social Movements in the Middle East	4
SRPP-UH 2414	Global Family Policies and Laws	4
SRPP-UH 2416X	Gulf Urban Societies	4
SRPP-UH 2417		4
SRPP-UH 2418	Politics and Society	4
SRPP-UH 2419	Migration Policy	4
SRPP-UH 2420	The Mafia Business: Sociological Approach	4
SRPP-UH 2421	Sociology of Economic Life	4

SRPP-UH 2610	Introduction to Public Policy	4
SRPP-UH 2611	Social Policy	4
SRPP-UH 2612X	State Formation: The Case of the United Arab Emirates	4
SRPP-UH 2614X	Women and Work in the Gulf	4
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SRPP-UH 2619	Leadership and Diplomacy	4
SRPP-UH 2620	Education and Society	4
SRPP-UH 2627	Organizations and Society	4
SRPP-UH 2629	Education Policy Analysis and Design	4
SRPP-UH 2630	Social Impact Design for Policy and Business	4
SRPP-UH 2801X	Community- Engaged Scholarship: Addressing Social Hierarchies in the UAE	4
SRPP-UH 3210	Practicum in Social Research	4
SRPP-UH 3214	Social Networks	4
SRPP-UH 3215	Quantitative Data Analysis	4
SRPP-UH 3410		4
SRPP-UH 3412	Issues in African Societies	4
SRPP-UH 3610	Methods of Public Policy Analysis	4
SRPP-UH 3810	Topics in Contemporary Theory	4

Policies

NYU Policies

University-wide policies can be found on the New York University Policy pages (https://bulletins.nyu.edu/nyu/policies/).

NYU Abu Dhabi Policies

A full list of relevant policies can be found on NYU Abu Dhabi's undergraduate academic policies page (https://bulletins.nyu.edu/undergraduate/abu-dhabi/academic-policies/).