

# POLITICS, PHILOSOPHY & ECONOMICS: SOCIAL ENTERPRISE (BA)

## Program Description

The Politics, Philosophy, and Economics (PPE) major is an interdisciplinary program that combines studies in political science, philosophy, and economics. When you seek a bachelor's degree in PPE, you will take a core of classes from each of these three disciplines. You will also choose from one of seven concentrations.

The Social Enterprise concentration is designed for students interested in focusing on how business can directly address social problems such as poverty and/or environmental sustainability.

## New Majors Onboarding

All newly admitted majors must attend this onboarding as an introduction to the School of Business, Government, and Economics. Please make note that there are no substitutions for this degree requirement.

## Entering and Completing the Major

In order to earn a degree, you must complete at least one academic major. SPU encourages students to explore various academic paths, so if you change your mind about a major, or want to include an additional program, you are able to do so, as outlined below.

Note that the University encourages you to enter your chosen major(s) as soon as you have determined it and are eligible to join it, especially by the start of your junior year. Students who transfer as juniors and seniors should enter a major within their first two quarters at SPU.

- If this is your first quarter at SPU and you identified a major in this department as your first choice on your application for admission to the University, you have gained entry to the major. To change or add a major, follow these instructions (<https://spu.atlassian.net/l/cp/a3th1keb/>).
- If you are an SPU student with an SPU cumulative GPA of 2.0 or better, follow these instructions (<https://spu.atlassian.net/l/cp/a3th1keb/>) to enter a major in this department.
- The University requires a grade of C- or better in all classes that apply to a major; however, programs may require higher minimum grades in specific courses. You may repeat an SPU course only once for a higher grade.
- To advance in this program, meet with your faculty advisor regularly to discuss your grades, course progression, and other indicators of satisfactory academic progress. If your grades or other factors indicate that you may not be able to successfully complete the major or minor, your faculty advisor can work with you to explore options, which may include choosing a different major.
- You must complete the major requirements that are in effect in the SPU Undergraduate Catalog for the year you enter the major.

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89 Credits Minimum, Including 52 Upper Division (UD)

| Code  | Title  | Credits  |
|---|--|----------|
| <b>Required Core: Political Science Courses</b> |  |          |
| POL 1120  | United States Government and Politics                        | 5        |
| POL 2320  | Comparative Political Systems                                | 5        |
| or POL 2330                                     | International Relations                                      |          |
| POL 4640  | Political Theory: From Antiquity to the 21st Century         | 5        |
| Section Credits Required                        |  | 15       |
| <b>Required Core: Philosophy Courses</b>        |  |          |
| PHI 1001  | Logic and Critical Thinking                                  | 5        |
| Select one of the following:                    |  | 3        |
| PHI 1002  | Ethics and the Good Life                                     |          |
| PHI 1004  | The Examined Life  |          |
| PHI 2700  | Philosophy of Law  |          |
| PHI 3770  | Political Philosophy   |          |
| Select one of the following:                    |  | 5        |
| PHI 3601  | Ancient Philosophy   |          |
| PHI 3633  | Early Modern Philosophy                                      |          |
| PHI 3651  | Contemporary Ethical Theory                                  | 5        |
| Section Credits Required                        |  | 18       |
| <b>Required Core: Economics Courses</b>         |  |          |
| ECN 2101  | Principles of Microeconomics                                 | 5        |
| ECN 2102  | Principles of Macroeconomics                                 | 5        |
| ECN 3202  | Intermediate Macroeconomics                                  | 5        |
| or ECN 3201                                     | Intermediate Microeconomics                                  |          |
| ECN/POL 4310                                    | International Political Economy                              | 5        |
| Section Credits Required                        |  | 20       |
| <b>Required Social Enterprise Courses</b>       |  |          |
| BUS 3680  | Social Enterprise  | 3        |
| BUS 3682  | Social Venture Planning                                      | 2        |
| BUS 3670  | Management in the Nonprofit Sector                           | 5        |
| or BUS 3690                                     | Inclusive Financial Services                                 |          |
| Select one of the following:                    |  | 5        |
| ECN 3811  | Microeconomics of Development: Community Development         |          |
| ECN 3812  | Macroeconomics of Development: International Economic Growth |          |
| POL 3320  | Political and Economic Development of Nations                |          |
| Section Credits Required                        |  | 15       |
| <b>Supporting Courses</b>                       |  |          |
| BUS 1700  | Spreadsheets   | 1        |
| BUS 2700  | Statistics for Business and Economics                        | 5        |
| BUS 2910  | Early Career Preparation                                     | 1        |
| BUS 3700  | Quantitative Methods for Decision Making                     | 5        |
| or POL 4643                                     | Methods of Political Analysis                                |          |
| BUS 4942  | Early Career Professional Development                        | 1        |
| BUS 4899  | Business Ethics  | 3        |
| or ECN 4899                                     | Capstone in Economics  |          |
| or POL 4899                                     | Political Science Capstone Seminar                           |          |
| or PHI 4897                                     | Philosophy of Religion                                       |          |
| Section Credits Required                        |  | 16       |
| <b>Upper Division POL elective</b>              |  | <b>5</b> |

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|--------------------------|-----------|
| Section Credits Required | 5         |
| <b>Total Credits</b>     | <b>89</b> |

## Additional Requirements and Information

- New Majors Onboarding

## Suggested Course Sequence

This is a sample schedule of sequencing for the Politics, Philosophy, & Economics (PPE) major. The first two years of PPE curriculum lay a foundation of theories, concepts, and competencies, which support upper division and track courses later in your academic career. Be sure to regularly review your degree status check in Banner to make sure you are on track with all of your degree requirements. The minimum credits required is significant and requires careful course planning.

| Course  | Title                                     | Credits   |
|---|---|-----------|
| <b>Freshman</b>   |   |           |
| <b>Autumn</b>   |   |           |
| UCOL 1000   | University Colloquium                     | 1         |
| WRI 1000  | Academic Inquiry and Writing Seminar      | 5         |
| POL 1120  | United States Government and Politics     | 5         |
| Ways of Knowing in the Arts ( <a href="https://catalog.spu.edu/undergraduate/degree-requirements/baccalaureate-degree-requirements/exploratory-curriculum/#wkatext">https://catalog.spu.edu/undergraduate/degree-requirements/baccalaureate-degree-requirements/exploratory-curriculum/#wkatext</a> )                 |   |           |
| <b>Credits</b>  |   | <b>11</b> |
| <b>Winter</b>   |   |           |
| WRI 1100  | Disciplinary Research and Writing Seminar | 5         |
| BUS 1700  | Spreadsheets                              | 1         |
| BUS 2700  | Statistics for Business and Economics     | 5         |
| PHI 1001  | Logic and Critical Thinking               | 5         |
| <b>Credits</b>  |   | <b>16</b> |
| <b>Spring</b>   |   |           |
| UFDN 1000   | The Christian Faith                       | 5         |
| ECN 2101  | Principles of Microeconomics              | 5         |
| Ways of Knowing in the Humanities ( <a href="https://catalog.spu.edu/undergraduate/degree-requirements/baccalaureate-degree-requirements/exploratory-curriculum/#wkhtext">https://catalog.spu.edu/undergraduate/degree-requirements/baccalaureate-degree-requirements/exploratory-curriculum/#wkhtext</a> )           |   | 5         |
| <b>Credits</b>  |   | <b>15</b> |
| <b>Sophomore</b>  |   |           |
| <b>Autumn</b>   |   |           |
| ECN 2102  | Principles of Macroeconomics              | 5         |
| UFDN 2000   | Christian Scripture                       | 5         |
| Ways of Knowing in the Sciences ( <a href="https://catalog.spu.edu/undergraduate/degree-requirements/baccalaureate-degree-requirements/exploratory-curriculum/#wksciencetext">https://catalog.spu.edu/undergraduate/degree-requirements/baccalaureate-degree-requirements/exploratory-curriculum/#wksciencetext</a> ) |   | 5         |
| Major   |   | 5         |
| <b>Credits</b>  |   | <b>20</b> |
| <b>Winter</b>   |   |           |
| Apply to major!   |   |           |
| UCOR 2000   | The Emergence of the Modern Global System | 5         |
| Ways of Knowing in the Sciences ( <a href="https://catalog.spu.edu/undergraduate/degree-requirements/baccalaureate-degree-requirements/exploratory-curriculum/#wksciencetext">https://catalog.spu.edu/undergraduate/degree-requirements/baccalaureate-degree-requirements/exploratory-curriculum/#wksciencetext</a> ) |   | 5         |
| Major   |   | 5         |
| <b>Credits</b>  |   | <b>15</b> |
| <b>Spring</b>   |   |           |
| Ways of Engaging ( <a href="https://catalog.spu.edu/undergraduate/degree-requirements/baccalaureate-degree-requirements/exploratory-curriculum/#wetext">https://catalog.spu.edu/undergraduate/degree-requirements/baccalaureate-degree-requirements/exploratory-curriculum/#wetext</a> )                              |   |           |
| Major   |   | 10        |
| <b>Credits</b>  |   | <b>15</b> |

| <b>Any Quarter</b>   |   |            |
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| Exploratory Curriculum ( <a href="https://catalog.spu.edu/undergraduate/degree-requirements/baccalaureate-degree-requirements/exploratory-curriculum/">https://catalog.spu.edu/undergraduate/degree-requirements/baccalaureate-degree-requirements/exploratory-curriculum/</a> )               |   |            |
| <b>Credits</b>   |   | <b>0</b>   |
| <b>Junior</b>  |   |            |
| <b>Autumn</b>  |   |            |
| UCOR 3000  | Faith, Philosophy, and Science  | 5          |
| BUS 3680   | Social Enterprise   | 3          |
| BUS 2910   | Early Career Preparation  | 1          |
| Major  |   | 5          |
| <b>Credits</b>   |   | <b>14</b>  |
| <b>Winter</b>  |   |            |
| UFDN 3100  | Christian Theology  | 5          |
| BUS 3682   | Social Venture Planning   | 2          |
| Major  |   | 8          |
| <b>Credits</b>   |   | <b>15</b>  |
| <b>Spring</b>  |   |            |
| Apply to graduate!   |   |            |
| PHI 3651   | Contemporary Ethical Theory   | 5          |
| POL 4310   | International Political Economy   | 5          |
| Major  |   | 5          |
| <b>Credits</b>   |   | <b>15</b>  |
| <b>Any Quarter</b>   |   |            |
| BUS 2910   | Early Career Preparation  | 1          |
| BUS 3700   | Quantitative Methods for Decision Making  | 5          |
| Track Electives  |   |            |
| Any remaining Exploratory Curriculum ( <a href="https://catalog.spu.edu/undergraduate/degree-requirements/baccalaureate-degree-requirements/exploratory-curriculum/">https://catalog.spu.edu/undergraduate/degree-requirements/baccalaureate-degree-requirements/exploratory-curriculum/</a> ) |   |            |
| <b>Credits</b>   |   | <b>6</b>   |
| <b>Senior</b>  |   |            |
| <b>Autumn</b>  |   |            |
| BUS 4942   | Early Career Professional Development   | 1          |
| Major  |   | 15         |
| <b>Credits</b>   |   | <b>16</b>  |
| <b>Winter</b>  |   |            |
| POL 4640   | Political Theory: From Antiquity to the 21st Century                              | 5          |
| ECN 3811   | Microeconomics of Development: Community  | 5          |
| or ECN 3812  | Development<br>or Macroeconomics of Development: International<br>Economic Growth |            |
| Major  |   | 5          |
| <b>Credits</b>   |   | <b>15</b>  |
| <b>Spring</b>  |   |            |
| POL 3320   | Political and Economic Development of Nations                                     | 5          |
| UD POL Elective  |   | 5          |
| Major  |   | 5          |
| <b>Credits</b>   |   | <b>15</b>  |
| <b>Any Quarter</b>   |   |            |
| BUS 4899   | Business Ethics   | 5          |
| UD POL Elective  |   | 5          |
| Track Courses  |   |            |
| Any remaining Exploratory Curriculum ( <a href="https://catalog.spu.edu/undergraduate/degree-requirements/baccalaureate-degree-requirements/exploratory-curriculum/">https://catalog.spu.edu/undergraduate/degree-requirements/baccalaureate-degree-requirements/exploratory-curriculum/</a> ) |   |            |
| <b>Credits</b>   |   | <b>10</b>  |
| <b>Total Credits</b>   |   | <b>198</b> |

## Freshman Notes

- If you have not satisfied the Foreign Language Requirement, complete this year for your Exploratory coursework.
- 15 credits of PPE core courses double-count as exploratory “WK” coursework.

- Spreadsheets competency is required for courses early on. Take BUS 1700 Spreadsheets winter or spring quarter.

## Sophomore Notes

- If you have not yet applied to the major, apply now! Applications are accepted year round and require good academic standing (2.0 or higher SPU cumulative GPA).
- Attend the New Majors Onboarding.
- PHI 3770 Political Philosophy alternative to PHI 1004 The Examined Life (but move to junior or senior year).
- Begin looking for an internship over the summer after your sophomore year. Recruiting often begins 6 to 12 months prior to an internship start date.

## Junior Notes

- Concentration courses should be taken when they best fit your schedule.
- Some concentration courses are offered once per year, or in rare instances, once every other year. Plan accordingly.
- Complete an SBGE approved internship.

## Senior Notes

- Concentration courses should be taken when they best fit your schedule.
- Some concentration courses are offered once per year, or in rare instances, once every other year. Plan accordingly.