ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The Master of Social Science (MSS) is an online interdisciplinary program in the social sciences. The program is designed to meet the needs of graduate students whose professional employment makes it desirable that they study two or more subjects within the social sciences to earn the master’s degree. Though most of the students have been public school teachers, candidates from other occupations may apply for admission to the program if the study would be to their professional advantage. The degree is appropriate for students intending to conclude their graduate education at the master’s level of study.

For program admission requirements, visit: www.ohio.edu/history/graduate/master-social-science.html

PROGRAM GOALS

The program provides students with the flexibility to pursue coursework that spans several social science disciplines, including history, political science, and geography and leads to professional advancement.

RESEARCH/CREATIVE ACTIVITY AREAS

As part of the work in the major field, each student may choose to write a master’s research essay under the direction of a member of the graduate faculty who will approve the topic and scope of the essay. A student who selects this option will register for four hours in the master’s thesis course of his or her chosen major department. The master’s essay will count as one course toward the major requirement and also as one of the minimum of seven courses required of each candidate.

GRADUATE PLACEMENTS/ACHIEVEMENTS

Most students in the MSS program are public school teachers seeking an interdisciplinary social science master’s degree to advance in their careers as educators.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

To learn more about the graduate program in Social Science, contact the Coordinator:

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