Secondary Education for Social Studies A.A.

The Associate in Arts (A.A.) degree in Secondary Education for Social Studies, offered by the Teacher Education Department, offers students the first step on the path toward New York State teacher certification in social studies in 7th–12th grades. Students are exposed to a broad liberal arts and humanities curriculum which will provide them with the necessary academic foundation in adolescent growth and development, upon which to build their future educational endeavors. In addition, graduates of the program will be able to articulate the challenges facing educators and schools in the United States and propose meaningful solutions to those challenges.

Specialized Skills

Intercultural Fluency
Professionalism/Work Ethic
Teamwork/Collaboration
Digital Technology

*Specialized Skills may be obtained or enhanced during the course of the student’s learning experience. Specialized Skills are defined and provided by NACADA: The Global Community for Academic Advising www.nacada.ksu.edu

Certifications and Professional Development

Microsoft Office Professional
Social Media for Business
Professional Writing

These and other Certifications and Professional Development options offered by the Center for Continuing Education and Workforce Development. www.bmcc.cuny.edu/ce

Professional Organizations

American Federation of Teachers
Council for Exception Children
National Education Association

Helpful Career Links

BMCC Career Center www bmcc cuny edu/career

Internships and Experiential Learning www bmcc cuny edu/experiential

Teacher Education www bmcc cuny edu/academics/ departments/teacher-education/ secondary-education-for-social-studies

Articulation Agreements

CUNY Hunter
B.S. in History/Adolescent Social Studies Education

Other Transfer Options

Pace University: Westchester
St. John’s University
Brooklyn College / CUNY

Career and Salary Possibilities*

Social Studies Middle School Teacher
($36,000–$61,800)

Grant Writer
($33,000–$81,000)

Curriculum Developer
($41,000–$96,000)

Education Program Coordinator
($34,000–$64,000)

Historian
($29,000–$104,000)

Editor
($31,000–$86,000)

Curriculum Specialist
($40,000–$77,000)

Professor
($49,000–$103,000)

Librarian
($29,000–$104,000)

History Teacher
($33,000–$77,000)

* Career and Salary Possibilities are not guaranteed. Additional education, training or experience may be required and salary ranges may vary depending on location, industry and education level. Career and salary data provided by Career Coach.