

Course Number & Name: LIS 409 - Literature of the Social Sciences

- **Description:** Overview of social science information, environment, structure of resources, and users. Emphasis upon navigating through an increasingly interdisciplinary and cross-disciplinary body of knowledge. Discussion will include the evolution of the various disciplines, organization of inquiry, and role of research methodologies. Techniques used to evaluate social science information are covered. Typically includes guest speakers and field trips.
- **Prerequisites:** LIS 407
- **Audience (level, environment/setting):** Master's and doctoral students; academic, public, reference/information services
- **Student Learning Outcomes** [by number]: 2, 3, 4, 7, 9
- **Topics/List of Lectures:**
 - General Social Sciences
 - Evaluating information
 - Interdisciplinarity and changes in discourse
 - Sociology
 - Anthropology
 - Economics
 - Political Science
 - History
 - Education
 - Psychology
 - Communication
- **Suggested Textbooks/Readings**
 - None given
- **Course History:**
 - September 1992: LIS 407 added as a pre-req
 - December 2004: Discussed at curriculum retreat, no vote needed
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