

## Why Study to be a Social Studies Educator at Northeastern?

Located in the foothills of the Ozark Plateau near the scenic Illinois River, Northeastern State University has been the premier state institution for teacher training in the region for more than a century. Its graduates have provided educational leaders and classroom teachers throughout the state and across the nation for five generations. It is nearly impossible to visit a school anywhere in Northeastern Oklahoma without encountering one or more Northeastern graduates serving as a classroom teacher or administrator, Northeastern's education program is both regionally and nationally accredited by the Oklahoma Commission for Teacher Preparation and the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education. The Social Studies Education program at NSU is nationally accredited by the National Council for the Social Studies.

Northeastern's Social Sciences faculty is diverse and experienced and offers stimulating courses on a variety of aspects of American, European, and World history and in most other aspects of the social sciences, including political science, geography, anthropology,

and sociology. Most classes, particularly the upper-level courses, have a favorable student-teacher ratio that enables students to get to know their professors. All lower-level courses are taught by professors with terminal degrees or instructors with no less than a master's degree and many years of teaching experience; upper-level history classes are taught by Ph.D.s, not graduate students.

The NSU Social Studies Education degree is designed to prepare students to teach grades 6-12 in the public schools. The degree program is highly structured so that our graduates can successfully pass the two major certification examinations in the social studies area. Most of our majors score above the state average on the Oklahoma Subject Area Tests.

The Social Studies Education program is only offered in its entirety on the Tahlequah campus, but many required classes are available at the Broken Arrow and Muskogee campuses. Some classes can be taken online. For further information about majoring in Social Studies Education at Northeastern State University contact:

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