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## Majors in BIDS

As a BIDS student you have the possibility to specialize in one of the following four disciplines:

- Economic History
- Human Geography
- Political Science
- Sociology

You will choose your major during the second semester (between mid-March and mid-April). Since the selection of courses may vary from one year to another, students will be invited to a meeting with representatives from the different departments when it is time to choose the major.

Note! BIDS major courses are not our regular program courses (the UTVC courses). They are courses offered by different departments that are later included in your diploma - as your specialization courses.

### **FAQ**

*How does the choice of specialization/major affect my degree?*

After completion of the Bachelor's Program in Development Studies, students get a Bachelor's Degree in Development Studies with major in Sociology/Human Geography/Political Science/Economic History (depending on one's choice) I.e. if you choose to study Human Geography as your major, you will graduate with a BSc in Development Studies with a major in Human Geography.

Your major decides which department you will write your Bachelor thesis at and also tells your future employers where your main interest lays.

Furthermore, for Master's or PhD studies, you are often required to have previous relevant studies and as development studies is interdisciplinary, your choice of major can be a way to fulfill that requirement.

*Can I choose any course from the four departments?*

The different departments have different rules regarding BIDS major courses.

If you choose to major in Sociology, Human Geography or Economic History, you can apply to most of the courses offered by the respective departments. A list of available courses will be available when it is time to apply.

If you choose to major in Political Science, you **MUST** take the courses STVC02 and STVC05 during the fall semester year 2.

## **Sociology**

A list of courses available at the department of Sociology can be found here:

<https://www.soc.lu.se/en/education> Please note that all courses might not be available for BIDS students.

For questions, please contact [studievagledare@soc.lu.se](mailto:studievagledare@soc.lu.se)

## **Economic History**

A list of courses available at the department of Economic History can be found here:

<https://www.ekh.lu.se/en/study/courses/autumn> Please note that all courses might not be available for BIDS students.

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## **Human Geography**

A list of courses available at the department of Human Geography can be found here:

<https://www.keg.lu.se/en/education/academics/freestanding-courses> Please note that all courses might not be available for BIDS students.

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## **Political Science**

The courses available when majoring in Political Science are:

[STVC02](#): The Politics of Development, 15 credits

[STVC05](#): International Political Economy and Development, 15 credits

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