

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY STUDIES, DOCTORAL MINOR

Science and technology studies integrates knowledge about science, technology, and medicine with society, culture, and the economy. This interdisciplinary field of study incorporates a broad base of scholarship to provide a nuanced picture of science and technology as human enterprises, situated in wider historical, social, and cultural contexts.

The science and technology studies (STS) program offers a doctoral minor.

The doctoral minor in STS is offered to graduate students who are candidates for a doctoral degree in another department or program. The STS doctoral minor provides graduate students with an integrated program of interdisciplinary training in science and technology studies. The minor is open to students in all campus departments, including the humanities, social sciences, natural sciences, and engineering. The program is oriented toward helping students use insights from STS in their research and teaching.

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All Graduate School students must utilize the Graduate Student Portal in MyUW to add, change, or discontinue any doctoral minor. To apply to this minor, log in to MyUW, click on Graduate Student Portal, and then click on Add/Change Programs. Select the information for the doctoral minor for which you are applying.

All graduate students who are interested in the doctoral minor in Science and Technology Studies should consult as soon as possible with the Associate Director of the Holtz Center for Science and Technology Studies. Graduate students will work with the Center Director and Associate Director to choose an advisor from the center's affiliated faculty members. The advisor will assist in planning the student's doctoral minor.

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Students must consult with their Holtz Center affiliated advisor and assistant director. Coursework promotes each student's interdisciplinary understanding of the relationship between science/technology and society/culture.

Students must complete at least **9** credits through the following requirements:

1. Complete STS 901 Science, Technology and Medicine in Society, which introduces students to the perspectives on science, technology, and society that transcend any single discipline;

2. Complete six credits from the pre-approved graduate course list in at least two different departments outside of their major field of study.
3. Earn a B or better in coursework.

Students are **expected and encouraged** to complete the following:

1. Enroll in STS 902 Current Topics in Science and Technology Studies. This is the biweekly Science and Technology Studies (STS) Brown Bag Seminars;
2. Frequent speaker series and other Holtz Center events.

Pre-approved Graduate Courses

Refer to the "courses for PhD minor (<https://sts.wisc.edu/academics/phd-minor/#what-is-the-ph-d-minor-in-sts>)" on the program website for the pre-approved graduate course list.