

# Career Outlook 2019: Social Studies

## **Social Studies Programs Available at Bemidji State University:**

**Major:** Social Studies (B.A.), Social Studies Education: Teacher Licensure (B.S.)

**Fields of Emphasis:** Economics; Economics- Political Science- Sociology- Anthropology: Broad Field Emphasis; History; Political Science; Psychology; Sociology-Anthropology; Geography

**Endorsement:** Elementary Education (B.S.): Social Studies

**Minor:** Social Studies

**Department Website:** [http://www.bemidjistate.edu/academics/departments/political\\_science/subpages/programs.html](http://www.bemidjistate.edu/academics/departments/political_science/subpages/programs.html)

### **EMPLOYMENT AREAS AND PROJECTED DEMAND:**

The "Occupational Outlook Handbook" (OOH) reports that in 2016 there were 630,300 middle school teachers, and just over 1 million high school teachers. Employment of teachers is geographically distributed much the same as the population. The market varies widely by area and subject specialty.

OOH reports that the nationwide demand for high school teachers is expected to grow as fast as average through 2026, with people established in their career generally earning between \$38,540 and \$91,670 per year. The median pay for 2017 was \$57,720 per year.

### **PLACEMENT INFORMATION FOR SOCIAL STUDIES GRADUATES:**

There are many career opportunities for Bemidji State University Social Studies graduates. The one Bemidji State University 2016-2017 Social Studies (B.A.) graduate reported continuing their education. Of the Bemidji State University 2016-2017 Social Studies Education (B.S.) graduates, 75% reported obtaining related employment. This does not include students who were not seeking employment, unavailable, or had unknown status.

### **PARTIAL LIST OF EMPLOYERS WHO HAVE REPORTED HIRING BSU SOCIAL STUDIES GRADUATES:\* (This list only includes employment within one year of graduation.)**

Blackduck School District	Substitute Teacher	Blackduck, MN
Brainerd Public Schools	Substitute Teacher	Brainerd, MN
Eight Mile School District #6	Eighth Grade Teacher	Trenton, ND
Grand Rapids Public Schools	Substitute Teacher	Grand Rapids, MN
Prior Lake-Savage Area Schools	Social Studies Teacher	Prior Lake, MN

### **COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES WHERE BSU SOCIAL STUDIES GRADUATES HAVE GONE TO CONTINUE THEIR EDUCATION:**

- University Of North Dakota-Main Campus, Grand Forks, ND

\*Degrees alone do not get students jobs. Internships, summer jobs, volunteer work, part-time jobs, work-study positions, and active participation in student organizations on campus are all ways to become more competitive in a tight job market.

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**For more information, contact Career Services; Decker Hall/218-755-2038/career@bemidjistate.edu**

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