

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY STUDIES MINOR

College of Arts and Sciences

Program Website (https://as.cornell.edu/major_minor_gradfield/science-technology-studies/)

Program Description

The undergraduate minor in Science & Technology Studies (STS) is designed for students who wish to engage in a systematic, interdisciplinary exploration of the role of science and technology in modern societies. The minor is intended for students with varied academic interests and career goals. Majors in the natural sciences and engineering have an opportunity to explore the social, political, and ethical implications of their selected fields of specialization, while students majoring in the humanities and social sciences have a chance to study the processes, products, and impacts of science and technology from an STS perspective.

Admissions

Students must apply by the end of week 3 in their final semester.

Interested students may obtain further information about courses by contacting the STS undergraduate office (sts-dept@cornell.edu).

Note: Biology and Society majors cannot use more than one course to fulfill requirements for both the BSOC major and the STS minor.

Minor Requirements

To satisfy the requirements for the STS minor, students must complete, with a letter grade of C– or above, a minimum of four courses totaling 15 credits, selected from the course offerings listed for the major. First-year writing seminars are excluded.

Code	Title	Hours
Required Courses		
<i>One course should be at the 3000 or 4000 level</i>		
<i>No more than one course can be at the 1000 level</i>		
<i>Select two of the below Core Courses:</i>		
STS 1101	Science, Technology, and Politics	3
STS 2011	What Is Science? An Introduction to the Social Studies of Science and Technology	3
STS 2051	Ethical Issues in Health and Medicine	4
STS 2061	Ethics and the Environment	4
STS 2071	Introduction to the History of Medicine	3
STS 2921	Inventing an Information Society	3
STS 3011	Life Sciences and Society	3
STS 3111	Social Studies of Medicine	3
STS 3181	Living in an Uncertain World: Science, Technology, and Risk	4