

Sociology B.A.

Sociology Major

The B.A. Sociology major requires a minimum of 120 total hours to graduate. This total includes UNIFI/General Education requirements and the following specified major requirements, plus electives to complete the minimum of 120 hours.

Required courses:

SOC 1000 or SOC 1060	Introduction to Sociology Social Problems	3
SOC 2000	The Sociological Career	3
SOC 2010	Research Methods	3
SOC 3070/5070	Ideas about Social Life	3
SOC SCI 2020	Social Sciences Statistics	3
Electives (no more than 6 hours may be 1000- or 2000-level)		18
Any course with a sociology prefix (SOC XXXX)		
Total Hours		33

Notes:

1. The following research methods courses are accepted as substitutes for SOC 2010 for double majors within the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences: FAM SERV 2030, GEOG 2350; HIST 1010; POLSCI 2010; PSYCH 3002, SW 3185.

2. No more than six total hours of SOC 3370/5370, SOC 3375/5375, SOC 4198, SOC 4485, SOC 4500/5500, SOC 4501/5501, SOC 4502/5502, SOC 4585 can count toward fulfilling the major requirements, except with the approval of your advisor and department head.

Four-Year Plan

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This is a sample plan of study with a suggested sequencing of classes for the major. University electives may be applied to earn additional academic majors, minors, or certificates. Students should regularly meet with their academic advisor to plan their specific semester schedule to include UNIFI/General Education program and/or university elective hours required.

Course	Title	Hour
Freshman		
Fall		
SOC 1000	Introduction to Sociology (or SOC 1060 Social Problems)	3
UNIFI/General Education or University Electives		12
Hours		15
Spring		
SOC 2xxxx	Sociology Elective at the 2000 Level	3
UNIFI/General Education or University Electives		12
Hours		15
Sophomore		
Fall		
SOC 2000	The Sociological Career	3
SOC 2010	Research Methods	3

UNIFI/General Education or University Electives		9
Hours		15
Spring		
SOC SCI 2020	Social Sciences Statistics	3
UNIFI/General Education or University Electives		12
Hours		15
Junior		
Fall		
Core in Sociology (Two Courses)		6
UNIFI/General Education or University Electives		9
Hours		15
Spring		
SOC 3070/5070	Ideas about Social Life (or senior year spring semester)	3
Core in Sociology		3
UNIFI/General Education or University Electives		9
Hours		15
Senior		
Fall		
Sociology Electives *		6
UNIFI/General Education or University Electives		9
Hours		15
Spring		
Sociology Electives		6
UNIFI/General Education or University Electives		9
Hours		15
Total Hours		120

* Professional Development Elective (3 credits) should be pursued Junior or Senior year.

Learning Outcomes

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Outcome 1: Students can think and write critically using sociological theory (program content)

- **1.1** Students can apply sociological theories to explain social phenomena
- **1.2** Students can critically evaluate explanations of human behavior and social phenomenon

Outcome 2: Students can collect, analyze and interpret information (critical thinking)

- **2.1** Students can apply scientific principles to understand the social world
- **2.2** Students can evaluate the quality of scientific methods and data

Outcome 3: Students can effectively communicate sociological knowledge (communication)

- **3.1** Students can present research findings to multiple audiences
- **3.2** Students can use sociological knowledge to inform public policy debates and promote public understanding

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Outcome 4: Students can engage in career preparation (professionalization)

- **4.1** Students can identify workplace skills developed in their program
- **4.2** Student can identify potential careers related to their degree
- **4.3** Students can prepare for the workplace after degree completion

Outcome 5: Students can apply their knowledge through engaged learning (engagement)

- **5.1** Students can identify social problems and real-world solutions
- **5.2** Students can use sociological methods and tools in applied settings

Related Programs

- Criminology and Criminal Justice B.A.
- Psychology B.A.