Bachelor of Arts in Sociology

Requirements (62 units)

Total units required for graduation: 180

Requirements for the B.A. in Sociology (Program Code: SOCG)

SOC 100  The Study of Society  4
SOC 301  Qualitative Research  4
SOC 307  Social Research I  5
SOC 309  Social Research II  5
SOC 311  Sociological Theory  4
SOC 590  Seminar in Sociology (or any 500-level or higher SOC course except for SOC 595 Independent Study)  4

Concentration

Thirty-six additional units in sociology, 32 of which must be upper-division. Students must choose at least two courses from each of the concentrations listed below. Credit for a course may be granted for only one category.

Total Units  62

Social Inequality

SOC 336  Black Women and Feminism  4
SOC 341  Marriage and Family Among Blacks  4
SOC 342  The Chicano Family  4
SOC 343  Sociology of Family Violence  4
SOC 344  Sociology of LGBT Families  4
SOC 410  Sociology of Race and Ethnicity  4
SOC 418  Sociology of Social Welfare  4
SOC 422  Sociology of Work  4
SOC 424  Social Capital and Social Networks  4
SOC 425  Asian Americans: Origin and Ethnicity  4
SOC 430  Urban Sociology  4
SOC 440  Social Class  4
SOC 441  Black Social Stratification  4
SOC 442  Chicano Social Stratification  4
SOC 444  Sociology of Gender  4
SOC 445  Latino Health  4
SOC 525  Indian Nations and Native America  4

SOC 450  White Collar Crime  4
SOC 484  Social Casework  4

Community, Institutions and Social Processes

SOC 330  Social Gerontology  4
SOC 335  Population and Society  4
SOC 339  Socialization  4
SOC 340  Sociology of the Family  4
SOC 341  Marriage and Family Among Blacks  4
SOC 342  The Chicano Family  4
SOC 344  Sociology of LGBT Families  4
SOC 355  Medical Sociology  4
SOC 360  Social Psychology  4
SOC 363  Sociology of Mass Communication  4
SOC 380  Sociology of Religion  4
SOC 381  Women and Religion  4
SOC 418  Sociology of Social Welfare  4
SOC 420  Social Movements  4
SOC 422  Sociology of Work  4
SOC 424  Social Capital and Social Networks  4
SOC 430  Urban Sociology  4
SOC 432  Political Sociology  4
SOC 434  Community Organization  4
SOC 436  Group Dynamics  4
SOC 540  Sociology of Education  4

The sociology major calls for following a sequence through the required core courses of the discipline. After taking the introductory course, students should complete SOC 301, to be followed by the methods courses (SOC 307 and SOC 309) and theory (SOC 311). SOC 590 is intended as a capstone experience and should be taken at the end of one’s college career. In addition to these core courses, 36 units of electives complete the major requirements. To insure a broad understanding of the major research areas in the discipline of Sociology, students must take at least two courses from each of the concentrations listed above.

Beyond meeting this breadth requirement in elective courses, concentrating in the areas above provides a deeper understanding of the subarea, preparing the way for further research at the undergraduate or graduate level or for working in a related occupation after graduating. In addition to these concentrations, students are encouraged to develop, in consultation with their departmental advisor, a program of elective courses that is relevant to their future plans.