

# Sociology

Bachelor of Arts

The Sociology program focuses on the systematic study of social institutions and social relationships through the application of theory and research. Courses give students the opportunity to examine social change and analyze issues that surround us daily, such as race, gender, social class, deviant behavior, family environments and more.

## Career Options:

- Firms Employing Survey Research Methods.
- Public Agencies that Coordinate Services for People or Families.
- Social and Mental Health Agencies.
- Criminal Justice Agencies.

## Major Requirements:

Principles of Sociology  
Social Research Methods  
Sociology in the Field  
Social Theory  
Elementary Statistics  
18 hours of Sociology course electives (9 hours must be upper level)

## Minor Requirements:

Principles of Sociology  
Social Research Methods  
Social Theory  
Sociology Electives (At least 9 semester hours — 6 hours must be upper level)

## Electives:

Popular Culture	Work and Occupations
Deviant Behavior & Social Control	Societal Inequalities
Social Context of Sexuality	*Social Problems
*Marriage & Family	Sociology of Sport
Children and Childhood	Medical Sociology
Sociology of Gender	Race, Ethnic Relations, and Immigration

\*Offered every year

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## General Education Requirements

<b>I. Interdisciplinary Requirements</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>IV. Humanities Courses</b>	<b>Credits</b>
Ethics	3	Religion	3
International Studies	3	English Composition	6
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Total Hours	6	Art, Music or Entertainment/Theatre	3
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<b>II. Science Courses</b>	<b>Credits</b>	Total Hours	15
Mathematics	3	<b>TOTAL GENERAL EDUCATION HOURS</b>	<b>41</b>
Biology, including lab	4		
Physics, Earth Science or Chemistry, incl. lab	4		
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Total Hours	11		
<b>III. Social Science Courses</b>	<b>Credits</b>		
History, Political Science	3		
Communication, Economics, Geography or Criminal Justice	3		
Psychology or Sociology	3		
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Total Hours	9		

Unless otherwise specified, transferred credits may be used to fulfill the general requirements at the Registrar's discretion.

## Major Requirements

A minimum of 30 semester hours in Sociology courses including:

	Credits
SOC 101 Principles of Sociology	3
SOC 308 Social Research Methods	3
SOC 315 Sociology in the Field	3
SOC 410 Social Theory	3
MAT 213 Elementary Statistics	3
18 hours of Sociology course electives (at least 9 hours must be upper level)	

## Minor Requirements

A minimum of 18 semester hours in Sociology courses including:

SOC 101 Principles of Sociology	3
SOC 308 Social Research Methods	3
SOC 410 Social Theory	3
9 hours of Sociology course electives (at least 6 hours must be upper level)	

## General Graduation Guidelines:

Total of 120 semester hours, 39 of which must be numbered 300 or 400.

(Other programs may require coursework beyond 120 semester hours.)

At least 9 semester hours of courses designated as writing intensive.

A declared major.

A cumulative GPA average of C (2.00) and at least a C average in the graduation major.