

Sociology Major Requirements

The Sociology major is designed to take four semesters to complete.

Course Requirements: Units:

Core Courses (minimum grade of C- required)

SOCI 201: Introduction to Sociology (GE L4)	3
SOCI 300: Sociological Research Methods <i>Prerequisite: SOCI 201 (GE L4)</i>	4
SOCI 375: Sociological Theory <i>Prerequisite: SOCI 201 (GE L4)</i>	4
MATH 165 (GE L2) or SOCI 301 (GE U2) <i>SOCI 301 Prerequisites: GE Golden Four w/ C- or better, L2, and 45 units</i>	3-4
Sociological Experience Course	4
SOCI 498WIC: Senior Seminar <i>Prerequisites: SOCI 201, SOCI 300, SOCI 375, MATH 165/SOCI 301, 12 additional SOCI units; graduating senior. WIC Course: Meets University GVAR Requirement</i>	4
Total Core Units	22-23

Elective Courses (no minimum grade)

SOCI Electives to reach min. of 43 units	20-21
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Total Minimum Units in the Major 43

Notes on Major Requirements:

1. Students must complete the major using the catalog requirements in place at the time they declare the major.
2. **Minimum Grade of C-:** Students must earn a C- in each core course. There is no minimum grade for electives.
3. **SOCI 300 and 375 Prerequisite:** SOCI 201 (with a minimum grade of C-)
4. **SOCI 301 Prerequisites:** GE Golden Four w/ C- or better, L2, and at least 45 units
5. **SOCI 300 and SOCI 375 Recommendation:** do not enroll in these classes in the same semester.
6. **SOCI 498WIC Prerequisites:** SOCI 201, SOCI 300, SOCI 375, MATH 165/SOCI 301 (each with a minimum grade of C-); 12 additional Sociology units; senior standing. Students must have filed (and be eligible) for graduation in the semester in which they plan to take SOCI 498WIC. In practice, in order to enroll in SOCI 498WIC, students must have completed all major requirements other than two 4-unit sociology electives and SOCI 498WIC itself.

7. **Lower-division Coursework:** Sociology majors may apply up to **eight** units of lower-division sociology credit towards the major. Of these eight units, no more than **four** may be non-SSU transfer credit. If a lower-division course is used to meet the statistics requirement, it does not count against either of these limits.
8. **Contract Courses:** Students may take up to **eight** units each of 493 (Research Assistant), and 495 (Special Studies), but only **four** combined units of SOCI 490, 493, and 495 will count toward the major.
9. **General Education:** Sociology GE courses may be used to meet both Sociology requirements and GE requirements at the same time.
10. **Letter Grades:** Courses for the major must be taken for a letter grade (A-F), except when not available in the A-F mode.

Statistics Requirement

Majors must take one of the following courses or another course designated by the Sociology Program as meeting the statistics requirement.

MATH 165 – Elementary Applied Statistics (GE L2)

SOCI 301 – Statistics and Society (GE U2) [prerequisites listed above]

Sociological Experience Requirement

The Sociological Experience requirement provides students with opportunities to develop awareness of social issues, use sociological perspectives and methods to address social problems engage with the community outside of the university, develop experiences that provide job skills, and enhance their knowledge about careers. Majors must take at least one course designated as meeting the requirement.

SOCI 306 – Careers in Sociology

SOCI 388 – Selected Topics in Service Learning

SOCI 389 – Poverty and Inequality

SOCI 455 – Social Welfare & Health

SOCI 460 – Social Work in the Social World

SOCI 482 – Environmental Justice and Policy

General Education Courses in Sociology

<i>Lower-division Courses</i>	<i>Units</i>	<i>GE Area</i>
SOCI 201 – Introduction to Sociology	3	4: Social and Behavioral Sciences
SOCI 225 – Social Problems and Promises	3	3B: Humanities
SOCI 263 – Sociology of Race and Ethnicity	3	4: Social and Behavioral Sciences
<i>Upper-division Courses</i>		
SOCI 301 – Statistics and Society	3	UD 2: Mathematical Concepts and Quantitative Reasoning
SOCI 326 – Social Psychology	3	UD 4: Social and Behavioral Sciences
SOCI 431 – Sociology of Religion	3	UD 3: Arts and Humanities
SOCI 457 – Inequality and Institutions	3	UD 4: Social and Behavioral Sciences

Sociology Core Courses (including *GE Courses)

SOCI 201 – Introduction to Sociology*
SOCI 300 – Sociological Research Methods
SOCI 301 – Statistics and Society*
SOCI 375 – Sociological Theory
SOCI 498WIC – Senior Seminar (**WIC: Writing Intensive Course / Meets GWAR**)

Sociology Electives (including *GE Courses □ Sociological Experience Courses)

SOCI 225 – Social Problems and Promises*	SOCI 383 – Science, Technology, and Society
SOCI 250 – Self and Society*	SOCI 384 – Consumption and Inequality
SOCI 263 – Sociology of Race and Ethnicity*	SOCI 385 – Sociology of Culture
SOCI 301 – Statistics and Society*	SOCI 388 – Selected Topics in Service Learning□
SOCI 306 – Career Planning for Sociology Majors□	SOCI 389 – Poverty and Inequality□
SOCI 310 – Sociology of Immigration	SOCI 397 – Special Topics
SOCI 312 – Sociology of Gender	SOCI 414 – Social Interaction
SOCI 314 – Deviant Behavior	SOCI 417 – Sociology of Mental Health and Illness
SOCI 315 – Socialization	SOCI 425 – Urban Sociology
SOCI 317 – Emotions and Social Life*	SOCI 431 – Sociology of Religion*
SOCI 319 – Aging and Society	SOCI 434 – Cinema and Society
SOCI 325 – Sociology of the Arts*	SOCI 440 – Sociology of Reproduction
SOCI 326 – Social Psychology*	SOCI 443 – Social Policy in the 21 st Century
SOCI 328 – Sociology of the Environment	SOCI 445 – Sociology of Childhood and Adolescence
SOCI 329 – Sociology of Climate Change	SOCI 449 – Sociology of Power
SOCI 330 – Sociology of Media	SOCI 450 – Punishments and Corrections
SOCI 332 – Death and American Culture	SOCI 451 – Sociology of Education
SOCI 335 – Sociology of Globalization	SOCI 452 – Health Care, Illness, and Society
SOCI 340 – Drugs and Society	SOCI 455 – Social Welfare and Health□
SOCI 345 – Sociology of Families	SOCI 457 – Inequality and Institutions*
SOCI 347 – Social Stratification	SOCI 460 – Social Work in the Social World□
SOCI 350 – City and Community Life	SOCI 461 – Social Work and Social Welfare
SOCI 360 – Sociology of Sexualities	SOCI 463 – Organizations and Society
SOCI 366 – Juvenile Justice	SOCI 480 – Sociology of Work
SOCI 380 – Political Sociology	SOCI 482 – Environmental Justice and Policy□
SOCI 381 – Population and Society	SOCI 485 – Organizations and Everyday Life
SOCI 382 – Social Movements and Collective Behavior	

Contract Courses (These Require Individual Arrangements with Faculty)

SOCI 493 – Research Assistant
SOCI 495/595 – Special Studies

Advising Worksheet

Student Name:

Course	Units Possible	Units Taken	Semester and Year Taken	Grade Earned
<i>SOCI 201: Introduction to Sociology (GE L4)</i>	3	3		
<i>SOCI 300: Sociological Research Methods</i>	4	4		
<i>SOCI 375: Sociological Theory</i>	4	4		
<i>Statistics Requirement: MATH 165 (L2) or SOCI 301 (U2)</i>	3-4	3-4		
<i>Sociological Experience Requirement: _____</i>	4	4		
<i>SOCI 498WIC: Senior Seminar</i>	4	4		
Total Units in Core Courses	22-23	---	---	---
<i>Upper-division Sociology Elective: _____</i>	4	4		
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<i>Lower- or Upper-division Sociology Elective: _____</i>	4	4		
<i>Additional Sociology Units (as needed): _____</i>	4			
Total Additional Elective Sociology Units ^{2, 3, 4}	20-21	---	---	---
Minimum Major Units Required for Graduation	43	--- 120	---	---
Total Major, GE, and Elective Units Required for Graduation	120		---	---

Note: **(1)** A maximum of eight lower-division sociology units will count toward the major; of these, only four non-SSU sociology units will count. **(2)** Only four units of SOCI 499 will count toward the major. **(3)** Only four combined units of SOCI 493 and 495 will count toward the major. **(4)** Courses for the major must be taken for a letter grade (A-F), unless not available in that mode.