

SOCIOLOGY, B.A.

Credits: 122
CIP Code: 451101

Program Description

The Bachelor of Arts Degree in Sociology is concerned with the functions, societal institutions, and social aspects of human behavior and interpersonal relationships. The program emphasizes social services, career preparation, and community-related activities that reflect the University's urban environment. Graduates of this program will have the content knowledge and foundation for better understanding and engaging with the globalizing world. Students will be equipped with the tools needed to make sense of the shifting social world and contribute solutions to difficult social problems in work settings as varied as education, social services, and business as well as pursue advanced graduate level social science study.

Admissions Requirements

Applicants to the Bachelor of Arts Degree in Sociology must meet the General Admissions Requirements as published in this Catalog.

Student Learning Outcomes

Graduates of the Sociology Program will be able to:

1. Evaluate ethical dilemmas, standards of conduct, and/or professional formation in sociological research and inquiry.
2. Describe the role of culture and social structure in shaping individual lives and be able to provide and recognize examples of this process.
3. Interpret and communicate the "sociological perspective" and the diverse intersections of social categories and frames of analysis to promote social justice in a global context, including race, class, gender, sexuality, age, religion, and nationality.
4. Identify sociological theories and core concepts of social structure; culture; social stratification and inequality; race, ethnicity, and gender; and globalization.
5. Apply qualitative and quantitative research strategies and methodologies to examine social problems and human conditions.
6. Translate publicly available data (census data, polling data, etc.) into discursive English to highlight in a theoretically informed way trends and relationships between variables.

Degree Requirements

In addition to the General Degree Requirements as published in this Catalog, students pursuing the Bachelor of Arts Degree in Sociology must complete all required and cognate courses and electives in sociology and maintain a minimum overall GPA of 2.50 on a 4.0 scale. The department requires that students with a major in sociology must choose a minor. Many of our students minor in criminal justice, but a student may minor in any approved area. Ideally, the minor should be selected by the student's sophomore year.

Code	Title	Hours
Required Courses		
CSCJ 215	Intro. to Sociology	3
CSCJ 218	Contemporary Social Problems	3
CSCJ 388	Sociological Theory	3
CSCJ 387	Research Methods	3

CSCJ 337	Statistics I	3
CSCJ 480	Senior Project	3
Minimum of eleven additional sociology electives numbered 300 and above (3 credits each)		33

Sociology Electives (300 level or above)

Select six of the following:		18
CSCJ 308	Medical Sociology	
CSCJ 310	Criminology	
CSCJ 314	Victimology	
CSCJ 315	Social Psychology	
CSCJ 338	Statistics II	
CSCJ 350	Intro. to Geographic Info. Sys	
CSCJ 352	Marriage & Family	
CSCJ 355	Race, Place and Space	
CSCJ 389	Social Research Methods II	
CSCJ 400	Comparative Systems Analysis	
CSCJ 404	Juvenile Delinquency	
CSCJ 405	Criminal Law	
CSCJ 410	Seminar on Organized Crime....	
CSCJ 420	Special Topics I	
or CSCJ 421 Spec Top II:		
CSCJ 426	Internship II	
CSCJ 430	Race and Ethnicity	
CSCJ 431	Social Stratification	
CSCJ 480	Senior Project	
CSCJ 490	Independent Study	

Required Minor Related Courses

See the minor requirements for your selected program for the specific requirements. 18

Required Courses

Complete one year of a Modern Foreign Language 101 or higher of the following: 6

CFLS 101	Elementary Spanish	
or CFLF 101 Elementary French		
CFLS 102	Elementary Spanish	
or CFLF 102 Elementary French		

Total Hours 93

Free Electives

Some Acceptable Non-Sociology/Criminal Justice Electives for the Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice Administration: 24 Credits

Code	Title	Hours
African Women Study (300 and 400 level courses)		
CAWS 490	Intro to Women's Studies	3
Political Science (300 and 400 level courses)		
CPSC 313	Urban Politics & Policy	3
CPSC 322	International Relations	3
CPSC 361	Political Theory I	3
CPSC 362	Political Theory II	3
Religion (300 and 400 level courses)		
CREL 361	Culture and Religion	3
CREL 362	Psychology of Religion	3

CPHI 431	African American Philosophy	3
Philosophy (300 and 400 level courses)		
CPHI 331	Hist of West Phi: Afr to Pre	3
CPHI 362	Soc & Political Philosophy	3
CPHI 431	African American Philosophy	3
History (300 and 400 level courses)		
CHIS 433	History of Urban America	3
CHIS 450	The Jim Crow South	3
Psychology (300 and 400 level courses)		
CPSY 315	Social Psychology	3
CPSY 318	Industrial/Organizational Psy	3
CPSY 320	Social/Personality Development	3
CPSY 330	African-Centered Psychology	3
CPSY 358	Human Sexuality	3
CPSY 371	Experimental Psychology I	3
CPSY 372	Experimental Psychology II	4
CPSY 385	Abnormal Psychology	3
CPSY 410	Organizational Behavior	3
CPSY 413	Learning	3
CPSY 492	Cooperative Educ Experience	3

Note: Free Electives should be chosen in consultation with the advisor depending on the choice of minor or stackable credentials.

General Education Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Area A: Humanities/Fine Arts		
CREL 101 or CPHI 105	The Biblical Heritage Critical Thinking	3
CHIS 212	History of the United States	3
CART 150 or CMUS 120	Art Appreciation Music Appreciation	3
Area B: Social/Behavioral Sciences		
CPSC 219	American Govern & Politics	3
CPSY 211	General Psychology	3
Area C: Natural Science/Mathematics/Statistics		
Select two of the following:		6
CPHY 102	Physical Science	
CMAT 104	Finite Mathematics	
CBIO 101	Biological Science	
Area D: Communication		
CENG 105	College Composition I	3
CENG 106	College Composition II	3
CSTA 101	Fundamentals of Speech	3
Area E: Financial/Technological		
Select two of the following:		6
CBUS 250 or CECO 251	Personal Finance Principles of Macroeconomics	
CECO 250	Principles of Economics	
CCIS 100	Info. Technology & Comp. App.	
Total Hours		36

Other University Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
CGED 100	First Year Seminar	1
CGED 101	1st-Year Seminar	1
Total Hours		2

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Course	Title	Hours
First Year		
First Semester		
CSCJ 215	Intro. to Sociology (Required Major)	3
CENG 105	College Composition I (Area D)	3
CGED 100	First Year Seminar	1
CXXX	Area C	3
CXXX	Area D	3
CXXX	Area	3
Hours		16
Second Semester		
CSCJ 218	Contemporary Social Problems (Required Major)	3
CENG 106	College Composition II	3
CGED 101	1st-Year Seminar	1
CXXX	Area E	3
CXXX	Area A	3
CXXX	Area A	3
Hours		16
Second Year		
First Semester		
CXXX	Area A	3
CXXX	Area C	3
Minor	Minor Requirement/Minor Elective	3
Minor	Minor Requirement/Minor Elective	3
CFLF or CFLS	Spanish 101 or other Language (or higher)	3
Hours		15
Second Semester		
CXXX	Area E	3
CXXX	Area B	3
Minor	Minor Requirement/Minor Elective	3
Minor	Minor Requirement/Minor Elective	3
CFLF or CFLS	Spanish 101 or other Language (or higher)	3
Hours		15
Third Year		
First Semester		
CSCJ 337	Statistics I (Required Major)	3
CSCJ 387	Research Methods (Required Major)	3
CSCJ 3XX/4XX	Major Elective (300 or 400 level) ¹	3
CSCJ 3XX/4XX	Major Elective (300 or 400 level) ¹	3
CSCJ 3XX/4XX	Major Elective (300 or 400 level) ¹	3
Hours		15
Second Semester		
CSCJ 388	Sociological Theory	3

Minor	Minor Requirement/Minor Elective	3
Minor	Minor Requirement/Minor Elective	3
CSCJ 3XX/4XX	Major Elective (300 or 400 level) ¹	3
CSCJ 3XX/4XX	Major Elective (300 or 400 level) ¹	3
Hours		15
Fourth Year		
First Semester		
CSCJ 3XX/4XX	Major Elective (300 or 400 level) ¹	3
CSCJ 3XX/4XX	Major Elective (300 or 400 level) ¹	3
CSCJ 3XX/4XX	Major Elective (300 or 400 level) ¹	3
CSCJ 3XX/4XX	Major Elective (300 or 400 level) ¹	3
CSCJ 3XX/4XX	Major Elective (300 or 400 level) ¹	3
Hours		15
Second Semester		
CSCJ 480	Senior Project (Required Major)	3
CSCJ 3XX/4XX	Major Elective (300 or 400 level) ¹	3
Free Elective ²		3
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Hours		15
Total Hours		122

¹ Major Electives must be at the 300-400 level. While it is anticipated that the major elective courses will be taken in the department, with good cause (such as the course is related or relevant to student's career goals and/or graduate school aspirations) and advisor approval, major electives can be taken outside the discipline. Generally speaking, a course substitution form will be required. The advisor must submit that form and the approval of the SAS Dean is necessary.

² Free Electives should be chosen in consultation with the advisor, depending on the choice of minor or stackable credentials. Free electives may be taken at any time during a student's course of study. They need not be taken in the senior year.