

## BACHELOR OF ARTS

## Department of Sociology

## Sociology Major (Large Plan) BA

For Majors beginning Fall 2025

SOCIOLOGY is the study of social life, social change, and the social causes and consequences of human behavior. Sociologists investigate the structure of groups, organizations, and societies and how people interact within these contexts. Since all human behavior is social, the subject matter of sociology ranges from the intimate family to the hostile mob; from organized crime to religious traditions; from the divisions of race, gender and social class to the shared beliefs of a common culture (American Sociological Association: <https://www.asanet.org/about/what-is-sociology/>).

Sociology is a valuable liberal arts major for students who are planning careers in a variety of fields such as social research, criminology, public administration, gerontology, education, social work and market research; it also provides a useful background for those planning to enter law, business, medicine, community planning, and politics: <https://www.themuse.com/advice/sociology-degree-major-jobs-careers>

**Course of Study****Sociology: (33 credits)****Required :**

- SOC 107 Principles of Sociology (5)
- SOC 200 Introduction to the Major (3)
- SOC 350 Sociological Theory (5)
- SOC 363 Foundations of Social Research  
Methods (4)
- SOC 364 Statistics and Society (4)
- SOC 463 Applied Qualitative Research  
Skills (5)
- SOC 464 Applied Quantitative Research  
Skills (5)
- SOC 489 Senior Seminar (2)

**Deviance, Law and Social Control: (5 credits)****Select one:**

- SOC 343 Child Abuse (5)
- SOC 344 Juvenile Delinquency (5)
- SOC 345 Deviance (5)
- SOC 346 Criminology (5)
- SOC 348 Women and Crime (5)
- SOC 349 Law and Society (5)
- SOC 352 Punishment and Correction (5)
- SOC 447 White-Collar and Organization

**Inequality and Social Change: (5 credits)****Select one:**

- SOC 325 Aging (5)
- SOC 326 Social Demography
- SOC 354 Minority Experience (5) OR
- ETS 354 Minority Experience (5)
- SOC 356 Sociology of Gender (5)
- SOC 358 Sociology of Sexualities (5)
- SOC 359 U.S Feminist Movements (5)
- SOC 362 Social Movements (5)
- SOC 365 Minoritized Groups (5)
- SOC 370 Social Change (5)
- SOC 371 Globalization (5)
- SOC 375 Conflict and Peace (5)
- SOC 383 Sociology of Leadership (5)
- SOC 386 Seminar on Racism (5)
- SOC 415 Urban Sociology (5)
- SOC 442 Social Welfare Policy (5)
- SOC 445 Current Topics in Social Inequality (5)
- SOC 446 Sociology of Immigration (5) OR
- ETS 446 Sociology of Immigration

**Social Structures and Institutions: (5 credits)****Select one:**

- SOC 307 Individual and Society (5)
- SOC 320 Death and Dying (5)
- SOC 327 Health and Society (5)
- SOC 331 Sociology of Sport (5)
- SOC 338 Political Sociology (5)
- SOC 351 Sociology of Work (5)
- SOC 357 Sociology of Families (5)
- SOC 380 Environmental Sociology (5)
- SOC 425 Sociology of Education (5)
- SOC 459 Organizations (5)

**Department Approved Sociology Electives:  
(20 Credits -Upper Division)**

Select 20 credits of SOC courses not used elsewhere in the program with a maximum of five credits from 100-level courses and five credits from 200-level courses. PSY 363 is also an approved elective option.

**Total Credits: 68**

Major plan codes: SOCILABA, SOCILABAP Online option codes: SOCILABAO, SOCILABAOP