

Bachelor of Arts **Sociology**

INFORMATION

The subject matter of Sociology includes a wide variety of topics including social inequality, deviant behavior, gender, race and ethnicity, mental illness, non-western societies, law, criminology, aging, marriage and family, and sports. Sociology majors develop research skills and the ability to understand and connect individual lives with wider social forces.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Sociology majors bring to a job the ability to gather information and put it into perspective and are prepared for entry level positions in business, social services and government as well as for advanced training in professional and graduate programs. Graduates of the program are employed in a variety of positions in social service settings and other public and private organizations. Students who majored in sociology have been accepted in Masters and Doctoral programs in Sociology, Colleges of Law and Urban Studies.

Internships: Sociology majors and minors who have completed required courses and have a

minimum Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.0 may enroll in the Sociology Internship course. Student interns have been placed in various non-profit organizations and social service agencies. Internships have proven to be an excellent way for students to explore careers. Some have led to employment.

PROGRAM

Sociology Major (33 credits)

Required Courses (18 credits):

SOC 101 Introduction of Sociology
SOC 201 Race, Class and Gender
SOC 352 Sociological Theory
SOC 354 Quantitative Social Research
SOC 400 Capstone Course in Sociology and Criminology

Elective Courses (15 credits):

Four electives, at least three at the 300- or 400-level, chosen from a variety of courses. Many students choose to take more than the required number of electives, to double major, and/or to minor in another discipline, program and/or earn a certificate.

Sociology Minor (18 credits):

Required courses:
SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology

SOC 201 Race, Class, and Gender
SOC 352 Sociological Theory

Elective courses:

At least 8 credits of Sociology courses at the 300- and 400-level.

Other Programs Advised through Sociology and Criminology Department:

Criminology major, Criminal Justice Minor, Criminal Justice Certificate and Social Science Major

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TRANSFER STUDENTS SHOULD CONTACT AN ADVISOR IN THE SOCIOLOGY AND CRIMINOLOGY DEPARTMENT TO AVOID ENROLLING IN DUPLICATE CLASSES.

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A total number of 128 hours are required for the Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in Sociology. All degree seeking students are required to complete General Education (GenEd) courses. Students are responsible for ensuring the appropriate selection of courses to satisfy GenEd requirements and are encouraged to consult with their academic advisor regarding the applicability of selected courses. A comprehensive description of Cleveland State University's General Education Requirements for undergraduate students is available online at www.csuohio.edu/academic/gened/

Suggested Sequence for the Sociology Major:

First Semester

SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology *

Second and Third Semester

SOC 201 Race, Class and Gender *

SOC 210 Sociology of the Third World

SOC 215 Black/White Interaction

Fourth Semester (one or more)

SOC 260 Deviance in the U.S.

SOC 211 American Culture and Society

SOC 203 Sociology of Poverty

Fifth Semester

SOC 300/400 level Electives

SOC 352 Sociological Theory*

Sixth Semester

SOC 354 Quantitative Research*

SOC 300/400 level Elective

SOC 300/400 level Elective

Seventh and Eight Semester Options

SOC 400 Capstone Course in Sociology and Criminology*

- Internship (all required courses must be completed)
- Independent Study Course to do research project
- Additional Sociology electives, complete another major or minor

*Courses required for a major. All required courses must be completed **prior to** enrolling in SOC 400. Required courses are offered evenings and weekends approximately every third semester.

Approximately 25 300-level electives are offered, broadly distributed among four areas of concentration: Criminology, Aging and the Life Course, Race, Class and Gender, and Organization and Social Change. At least three 300 - 400-level elective courses are required for the Sociology major. One 200-level course may be used as an elective for the Sociology major.

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