Sociology

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Major: Sociology courses – **a gateway course**; 320 or PLS 239; 330, 333; 461 or 471 (culminating experience); any five others, including at least one social inequality course (228, 318, 338); and courses from at least three of the following four areas: microsociology (333); institutions (225, 315, 334, 335); deviance and law (226, 326, 336); social dynamics (219, 259, 319, 329, 339, 349, 359).

*Any one of the following courses can be used as a gateway or prerequisite course to upper level courses: Soc 161, 162, 163, 166, 167, 211; MS 111, 116

Cognate courses – Mat 217.

Comprehensive evaluation, with passing grade. Total of 10 major courses, plus 1 cognate = 11.

Minor: Sociology courses – **a gateway course**; 320 or PLS 239 or 330; any four others, not including 457, 461, or 471. Total of 6 minor courses.

Soc 161. Diversity and Difference. An examination of the history of the sociological causes and consequences of diversity and difference in societies. In combination with His 161, satisfies the Modern Societies LADR and GDR IV.A and IV.B.

Soc 162. Cultures of Learning. Examine cultures of learning in schools; cultures of peers and of teachers; cultures of classrooms; experiences of young people as they move through elementary, middle school, and high school; the interaction of educational cultures and structures with the larger culture. In combination with Com 162, satisfies he Modern Society and Other Cultures LADRs and General Degree Requirements IV.A., IV.B., and IV.C.

Soc 163. Order and Change: Sociology. Focuses on the sociological causes and consequences of order and change in societies. In combination with His 163, satisfies Modern Society LADR and General Degree Requirement IV.A. and B.

Soc 166. People in Groups. Explores sociological approaches to the study of group dynamics and their role in understanding phenomenon in contemporary society such as race and ethnicity, the family and other institutions. In combination with Psy 166 satisfies the Modern Societies LADR or GDR IV.A. Serves as a gateway course in Sociology.

Soc 167. Culture and Conflict. Addresses issues of internal (within the self), interpersonal (between persons), intracultural (between microcultures, counter-cultures, or subcultures), and intercultural conflicts (between national cultures). The role of conflict in change and the lack of conflict – social order or conformity – will also be examined. In combination with Psy 167, satisfies the Modern Society LADR and General Degree Requirements IV.A. and IV.B.

Soc 211. Investigating the Social World. Introduction to the scientific study of society; emphasis on sociological perspectives and on the processes of original inquiry and analysis of social interaction and social structures. Serves as gateway to upper-level sociology courses. (Cannot enroll if already completed Soc 111, 161, 163, MS 111 or 115.)

Soc 219. Social Problems. Analysis of causes and consequences of and possible solutions to social problems. Issues include such topics as poverty, racial and gender discrimination, crime, population, environment, prostitution, pornography, sexual orientations, and problems of family and work. Prerequisite: a gateway course or permission. Partially satisfies General Degree Requirement IV.A.
Soc 222. World Ethnographies. A detailed look at cross-cultural analysis and representation of societies around the world. Identical to Anth 222. Prerequisite: Anth 112, MS 113, or a gateway sociology course or permission. Satisfies Other Cultures LADR.

Soc 225. Sociology of Families. Systems analysis of marriages and families; diversity of family types; mate selection processes; changing functions, structures, and roles; socio-legal issues; elements of healthy and dysfunctional families; break-up and reconstitution; and family policy. Prerequisite: a gateway course or permission. Partially satisfies GDR IV.A.

Soc 226. Law and Society. Examination of law as an institution and its relationship to the larger society. Topics include: legal systems and the legal profession, functions and dysfunctions of law, law and social control, and law and social change. Explores criminal, constitutional, international, and environmental legal issues. Offered alternate years during Spring Term. Prerequisite: a gateway course or permission. Partially satisfies General Degree Requirement IV.A.

Soc 228. Sociology of Gender. A comparative study of gender roles. Topics include: origins of gender roles, gender role stereotypes and consequences, androgyny and gender roles, gender roles in developed and developing nations, changing patterns and the future. Prerequisite: a gateway course or permission. Partially satisfies General Degree Requirement IV.A.

Soc 259. Immigration and Transnationalism. Examines how various immigrant groups negotiate cultural landscapes as previous identities conflict with present national loyalties and expectations. Also explores pan-ethnic cultural affiliations in urban America and investigates the impacts of transnational citizens on the home culture. Identical to Anth 259. Prerequisite: Anth 112 or a gateway sociology course.

Soc 260. Special Topics.

Soc 309. Research Practicum. Offers practical experience with research skills and with detailed knowledge of specialized topics through participation in a faculty member’s ongoing research program. Experiences may include assistance with research design, data collection; coding, statistical analysis; qualitative data analysis, or written presentation of results. Offered every term. Prerequisite: permission of instructor. 0.50 unit. May be repeated once.

Soc 315. Political Sociology. An examination of the sociology of power and community at the national and international levels. Identical with PlS 315. Offered alternate Fall terms. Prerequisite: any one of PlS 115, 117, 118, 161; or a gateway sociology course.

Soc 318. Race and Ethnic Relations. Historical and global perspectives on racial and ethnic group contacts and conflicts; social psychology of prejudice and discrimination; mechanisms of institutional discrimination; minority group strategies for change. Prerequisite: Either a gateway course or Anth 112 or permission. Partially satisfies General Degree Requirement IV.A.

Soc 319. Urban Sociology. A study of the origin and development of cities throughout the world. Offered alternate years. Prerequisite: a gateway course or permission. Partially satisfies General Degree Requirement IV.A.


Soc 326. Juvenile Delinquency. Examination of juvenile crime and the juvenile justice system. Explores the nature and extent of delinquency, theories of delinquency, empirical research on delinquency, and historical and contemporary efforts to control and prevent delinquency. Prerequisites: a gateway course and one other sociology course or permission.

Soc 329. Cultural Adaptation of Native Americans: Plains and Pueblos. Comparison and contrast of the social characteristics and cultural evolution of “plains” and “pueblo” Indians as they adapted to their environments and to the onslaught of whites: includes two-and-a-half-week field trip to the southwest. Offered alternate years during Spring Term. Prerequisite: a sociology gateway
course or Anth 112; Soc 318 is recommended. Identical to Anth 329. Satisfies General Degree Requirement IV.C. and Other Cultures LADR.

**Soc 330. Sociological Theory.** Historical review, major theorists, major theories, sociological theory today and its application to modern society. Prerequisite: a gateway course.

**Soc 333. The Self and Social Interaction.** Investigation of the self in social context. Explores processes of interaction and interpersonal influence, group functioning, social boundaries, and social and institutional impacts on individuals. Prerequisite: a gateway course and one other sociology course or permission.

**Soc 334. Sociology of Sport.** Sociological theories and concepts are applied in analyzing how sport affects society and how society affects sport. Offered alternate years. Prerequisites: a gateway course and one other sociology course or permission.

**Soc 335. Sociology of Religion.** Exploration of the influence of religion on society and of society’s impact on religion; examination of internal social and social-psychological processes within religious groups. Offered alternate years. Prerequisite: a gateway course and one other sociology course or permission.

**Soc 336. Crime and Corrections.** An examination of the criminal justice system; nature and extent of crime; past and present practices used to control crime and deal with criminals. Prerequisites: a gateway course and one other sociology course or permission.

**Soc 338. Social Class and Inequality.** A study of the causes and consequences of inequality domestically and internationally and predictions for the future. Prerequisites: a gateway course and one other sociology course or permission.

**Soc 349. Social Change.** Causes and consequences of social change in the United States and at the global level. Topics include: globalization, deindustrialization, technology, population, environment, social movements, revolution, sociological theory, and intentional and unintentional social change. Offered alternate years. Prerequisites: a gateway course and one other sociology course or permission.

**Soc 357. Internship.** Off-campus supervised field experience of a sociological nature, arranged by the student and subject to the approval of an instructor. Prerequisites: Four sociology courses or permission of Department.

**Soc 359. Social Movements.** An examination of theories of movements of protest, reform, and revolution, and of resistance to change. Comparison and contrast of case studies, including movements such as abolition, temperance, civil rights, and environmentalism. Identical to PLS 359. Offered alternate Fall Terms. Prerequisite: PLS 115, 117, 118 or 161 or a sociology gateway course.

**Soc 360. Special Topics.** Coverage of sociological topics not included in the regular curriculum. Offered on demand.

**Soc 370. Directed Study.** Individual study with a professor on a particular sociological topic, which is agreed to by both the student and professor. One unit.

**Soc 461. Senior Seminar.** A comprehensive, linking analysis of the major areas of Sociology as well as an introduction to new areas of sociological concern. Prerequisites: a sociology gateway course, 320, 330, and senior major status.

**Soc 471. Independent Study.** Scientific research methods and techniques applied to study of social phenomena. Prerequisites: 320, 330, 333 and senior standing.