The Sociology Major – Sample Course of Study

Introduction to the Discipline

A Sociology student at USCB is introduced to the theoretical, conceptual, and methodological analytical tools to describe and understand human social life and the multifaceted connections between society and the individual. The program of study provides students with a well-rounded academic experience that prepares students for graduate study and/or careers in public health and epidemiology, marketing research, criminal justice, organization dynamics, community development, social services and many other fields.

Students can earn a bachelor's degree in Sociology or major in a different discipline and complete a minor in Sociology. The Sociology major will complete courses in general education as well as required and elective courses in Sociology. The Sociology major will complete a total of 120 credit hours of study. A Sociology student is required to complete five Core courses (SOCY 101, 496, 497, 498, and STAT 201) and nine Sociology courses at or above the 300 level.

Students who pursue a minor in Sociology are required to complete two Core courses (SOCY 101, 497) in Sociology and four Sociology elective courses at or above the 300 level.

Students are encouraged to complete their Core courses when available due to the need for faculty to rotate the offering of elective Sociology courses as well.

The following course of study is an example of how a student could progress through their major in Sociology. However, variations in sequence are acceptable.

Sample Course of Study for B.A. in Sociology	
Fall Freshman Year (15-16 credits)	Spring Freshman Year (16 credits)
Introductory Sociology (SOCY 101) English 101 & 101L	English 102 Foreign Language 102
Foreign Language 101 Numerical & Analytical, Math (MATH 101)	History (from HIST 101, 102, 111, 112, 115, or 116) 1st Natural Science with Lab General Elective
Speech (COMM 140 or 230) Fall Sophomore Year (15-16 credits)	Spring Sophomore Year (15 credits)
1st Sociology elective (SOCY 300 or above) Fine Arts (ARTH, ARTS, MUSC, THEA) 1st Liberal Arts Elective (e.g., ANTH, GEOG) 2nd Natural Science, lab optional General Elective	Statistics (STAT 201) 2nd Liberal Arts Course 2nd Sociology elective (SOCY 300 or above) Global Citizenship & Multicultural Understanding Studies Requirement (e.g., ANTH 102, GEOG 121) General Elective
Fall Junior Year (15 credits)	Spring Junior Year (16 credits)
Core Course (SOCY 496) 3rd Sociology elective (SOCY 300 or above) 4th Sociology elective (SOCY 300 or above) General Elective General Elective	Core Course (SOCY 497) 5th Sociology elective (SOCY 300 or above) 6th Sociology elective (SOCY 300 or above) General Elective General Elective
Fall Senior Year (15 credits)	Spring Senior Year (12 credits)
7th Sociology elective (SOCY 300 or above) 8th Sociology elective (SOCY 300 or above) General Elective General Elective General Elective	Core Course (SOCY 498) 9th Sociology elective (SOCY 300 or above) General Elective General Elective
Total Credits: 120	

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