

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Department of Sociology

Sociology Minor

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 minor for students who are planning careers in a variety of fields such as social research, criminology, demography, social psychology, 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. Sociology is an exciting discipline with expanding opportunities for a wide range of career paths: <https://themuse.com/advice/sociology-degree-major-jobs-careers>

Please note: Students admitted to the sociology minor may have a social services minor or major but cannot have a sociology major. Any class applied to the major cannot be used for the minor, except Soc 107 Principles of Sociology

Graduation Requirements:

2.0 Sociology GPA

Course of Study**Required Courses:**

SOC 107 Principles of Sociology (5)

Department Approved Elective Credits: 20

All Upper division courses are eligible electives in Sociology minor.

Including:

SOC 490 Cooperative Education

SOC 495 Social Research and

SOC 496 Individual Study

If the course you select does not fill-in the elective portion of the minor, contact the Sociology department to complete a department approval of an elective form.

With advisor approval, a maximum of 5 credits of sociology or ETS lower division coursework may be counted toward the minor.

Online Availability

The program will have both a designated online only option and an in-person/hybrid option.