



Bachelor of Arts in Sociology
Sample Course of Study

| First Year | | | |
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| Semester 1 - Fall | Credits | Semester 2 - Spring | Credits |
| The Student in the University (UNIV B101) | 3 | Composition & Literature (ENGL B102) | 3 |
| Introductory Sociology (SOCY B101) | 3 | Foreign Language II (FREN, GERM, or SPAN B101) | 3 |
| Composition & Rhetoric (ENGL B101) | 3 | History (HIST B101, B102, B111 ¹ , B112, B115, or B116) | 3 |
| Foreign Language I (FREN, GERM, or SPAN B101) | 3 | Natural Science with lab (ASTR, BIOL, CHEM, MSCI, or PHYS) | 4 |
| Numerical & Analytical Reasoning (MATH B101+) | 3 | 1 st Sociology elective (SOCY B300+) | 3 |
| Total Credit Hours | 15 | Total Credit Hours | 16 |
| Second Year | | | |
| Semester 3 - Fall | Credits | Semester 4 - Spring | Credits |
| 2 nd Sociology elective (SOCY B300+) | 3 | Elementary Statistics for Sociologists (SOCY B220 ⁴) | 3 |
| Fine Arts (ARTH, ARTS, MUSC, THEA) | 3 | 3 rd Sociology elective (SOCY B300+) | 3 |
| Liberal Arts elective (POLI B201 ²) | 3 | Liberal Arts elective ⁵ | 3 |
| Natural Science with optional lab ³ | 3 | 1 st Minor course | 3 |
| Speech (COMM B140 or B201) | 3 | Elective | 3 |
| Total Credit Hours | 15-16 | Total Credit Hours | 15 |
| Third Year | | | |
| Semester 5 - Fall | Credits | Semester 6 - Spring | Credits |
| 4 th & 5 th Sociology electives (SOCY B300+) | 6 | Sociological Theory (SOCY B496) | 3 |
| 2 nd & 3 rd Minor courses | 6 | 6 th & 7 th Sociology electives (SOCY B300+) | 6 |
| Elective | 3 | 4 th Minor course | 3 |
| | | Elective | 3 |
| Total Credit Hours | 15 | Total Credit Hours | 15 |
| Fourth Year | | | |
| Semester 7 - Fall | Credits | Semester 8 - Spring | Credits |
| Sociological Research Methods (SOCY B497) | 4 | Research Seminar (SOCY B498) | 3 |
| Internship in Sociology (SOCY B495 ⁶) | 3 | 9 th Sociology elective | 3 |
| 8 th Sociology elective | 3 | 6 th Minor course | 3 |
| 5 th Minor course | 3 | Elective | 3-4 |
| Elective | 3 | | |
| Total Credit Hours | 16 | Total Credit Hours | 12-13 |
| Total Credits Required for Degree | | | 120 |

¹ HIST B111 satisfies the history general education requirement and the REACH Act “Founding Documents” requirement.

² POLI B201 satisfies the Reach Act “Founding Documents” requirement if HIST B111 not taken for history requirement.

³ ANTH B101 and PSYC B361 also satisfy the 3-credit natural science general education requirement.

⁴ STAT B201 or PSYC B202 also satisfy both the second numerical and analytical reasoning general education requirement and the sociology program requirement for statistics.

⁵ ANTH B102, ANTH B312, ANTH B317, ANTH B351, ANTH B352, ANTH B452, COMM B450, ENGL B270, ENGL B291, ENGL B441, GEOG B121, GLST B301, GLST B398, HIST B109, HIST B115, HIST B116, PSYC B380, RELG B203, SOCY B315 or SPAN B380 satisfy general education requirements for both the liberal arts general education requirement and Global Citizenship & Multicultural Understanding.

⁶ An internship is recommended, but not required, for sociology majors.

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.

Nine Sociology elective courses are selected from the following:

SOCY B300 – Social Structures

SOCY B301 – Introduction to Gender Studies

SOCY B303 – Principles of Gerontology

SOCY B305 – Sociology of the Family

SOCY B307 – Sociology of Religion

SOCY B308 – Community Organization

SOCY B309 – Introduction to Social Inequality

SOCY B310 – Social Demography

SOCY B311 – Ecology of Human Social Systems

SOCY B313 – Sociology of Aging

SOCY B314 – Applied Sociology

SOCY B315 – World Population: Problems and Policies

SOCY B320 – Individual and Society

SOCY B323 – Sociology of Deviant Behavior

SOCY B325 – Sociology of Childhood

SOCY B326 – Sociology of Adolescence

SOCY B340 – Introduction to Social Problems

SOCY B341 – Sociology of Death and Dying

SOCY B349 – Sociology of Food

SOCY B350 – Sociology of Delinquent Youth Behavior

SOCY B351 – Urban Sociology

SOCY B352 – The Sociology of Literature

SOCY B353 – Sociology of Crime

SOCY B354 – Collective Behavior

SOCY B355 – Minority Group Relations

SOCY B356 – Sociology of the Body

SOCY B357 – Sociology of Education

SOCY B360 – Sociology of Medicine and Health

SOCY B362 – Sociology of Disability

SOCY B370 – Sociology of Sport

SOCY B403 – Working with Older Adults

SOCY B460 – Sociology of Mental Health