

**BACHELOR OF ARTS
MAJOR IN SOCIOLOGY**

Sociology is the study of social life and the social causes and consequences of human behavior. A major in Sociology complements many career paths by developing students' understanding of the nature of society and social relationships as these affect them in their personal and professional lives. The general objectives of this major are to provide students with: 1) An understanding of the causes and consequences of social inequality, including those of race, gender, sexuality, and social class, 2) An understanding of the forces of social change and social stability, and 3) An array of job skills applicable to a wide variety of labor force positions.

Following is one suggested four-year degree plan. Students are encouraged to see their advisor each semester for help with program decisions/enrollment; responsible for reviewing the **Program of Study Requirements**; and must meet **foreign language** and **writing intensive course** requirements for graduation. See Academic Regulations-Undergraduate online.

*See *Appendix A Core Curriculum and Optional Course Information*.

** See *Appendix C* for approved list of minors and requirements. Instead of a minor, students may complete 18 SCH of electives, 12 SCH of which must be at the 3000-4000 level, from any discipline, except the major field, outside the College of Nursing and Health Sciences.

	HOURS	SPRING		HOURS
FRESHMAN YEAR				
ENGL 1301 English Composition I	3	ENGL 1302 English Composition II		3
HIST 1301 The U.S. To 1877	3	HIST 1302 The U.S Since 1877		3
MATH 1314 College Algebra	3	MATH Math Elective ¹		3
SOCI 1301 Introduction to Sociology	3	SOCI 1306 Contemporary Social Probs		3
UNIV 1101 Learning in a Global Context I	1	UNIV 1402 Signature Course		<u>4</u>
	<u>3</u>			
Total	16			16
SOPHOMORE YEAR				
PSCI 2305 American National Govt	3	PSCI 2306 American State Govt		3
For Lang/Study Abroad ²	3	For Lang/Study Abroad ²		3
Language, Philosophy, & Culture*	3	General elective		2
Life & Physical Science*	3	Minor/General Elective**		3
Life & Physical Science Lab*	1	Life & Physical Science*		3
Creative Arts*	<u>3</u>	Life & Physical Science Lab		<u>1</u>
Total	16			15
JUNIOR YEAR				
SOCI 3304 Sociological Theory	3	SOCI 3305 Research Meths Soc Sci ⁴		3
SOCI Restricted SOCI Elective ³	3	SOCI Restricted SOCI Elective ³		3
SOCI Restricted SOCI Elective ³	3	Adv General Elective		3
SOCI Restricted SOCI Elective ³	3	Adv General Elective		3
Minor/General Elective**	<u>3</u>	Adv Minor/General Elective**		<u>3</u>
Total	15			15
SENIOR YEAR				
SOCI Inequality/Race Rels ⁵	3	SOCI 4380 Senior Pro Seminar		3
SOCI Restricted SOCI Elective ³	3	Adv Minor/Gen Elective**		3
Advanced General Elec	3	Adv Minor/Gen Elective**		3
Advanced General Elec	3	Adv General Elective		<u>3</u>
Adv Minor/Gen Elective**	<u>3</u>			
Total	15			12
TOTAL SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS: 120				

¹Math elective, select 3 SCH from any math course above the level of College Algebra.

²Foreign Language/Study Abroad, select 6 SCH in course work (not credit by exam) above the university's foreign language graduation requirement. Thus students who meet the university's foreign language graduation requirement by earning 6 hours of credit by exam, may take 6 SCH in the same language but at the intermediate level or above, or they may take 6 SCH of another foreign language at the introductory level. This requirement may also be met by earning 6 SCH in any subject while participating in a TAMU-approved Study Abroad program while living for at least 4 weeks in another country.

³Restricted Sociology electives, select 15 SCH from SOCI [3302](#), [3304](#), [3305](#), [3307](#), [3308](#), [3310](#), [3316](#), [3336](#), [4311](#), [4318](#), [4320](#), [4325](#), [4330](#), [4370](#), [4375](#), [4385](#), [4390](#), or [4616](#).

⁴Research Methods, select 3 SCH from SOCI [3305](#), CRIJ [3305](#) or PSCI [3301](#).

⁵Inequality or Race Relations, select 3 SCH from SOCI [4310](#) or SOCI [4317](#).

NOTE 1: See information on the [combined BA/MA in Sociology](#).

NOTE 2: Students who do not elect to have a minor curriculum may use up to 9 hours of their available electives in additional courses in their major curriculum.

*Actual degree plans may vary depending on availability of courses in a given semester.
Some courses may require prerequisites not listed.*