

SOCIOLOGY, B.S.

REQUIREMENTS

UNIVERSITY GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

All undergraduate students at the University of Wisconsin–Madison are required to fulfill a minimum set of common university general education requirements to ensure that every graduate acquires the essential core of an undergraduate education. This core establishes a foundation for living a productive life, being a citizen of the world, appreciating aesthetic values, and engaging in lifelong learning in a continually changing world. Various schools and colleges will have requirements in addition to the requirements listed below. Consult your advisor for assistance, as needed. For additional information, see the university Undergraduate General Education Requirements (<http://guide.wisc.edu/undergraduate/#requirementsforundergraduatestudytext>) section of the *Guide*.

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| General Education | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Breadth—Humanities/Literature/Arts: 6 credits • Breadth—Natural Science: 4 to 6 credits, consisting of one 4- or 5-credit course with a laboratory component; or two courses providing a total of 6 credits • Breadth—Social Studies: 3 credits • Communication Part A & Part B * • Ethnic Studies * • Quantitative Reasoning Part A & Part B * |
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* The mortarboard symbol appears before the title of any course that fulfills one of the Communication Part A or Part B, Ethnic Studies, or Quantitative Reasoning Part A or Part B requirements.

COLLEGE OF LETTERS & SCIENCE DEGREE REQUIREMENTS: BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (B.S.)

Students pursuing a Bachelor of Science degree in the College of Letters & Science must complete all of the requirements below. The College of Letters & Science allows this major to be paired with either the Bachelor of Arts or the Bachelor of Science degree requirements.

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

Mathematics Complete two courses of 3+ credits at the Intermediate or Advanced level in MATH, COMP SCI, or STAT subjects. A maximum of one course in each of COMP SCI and STAT subjects counts toward this requirement.

Foreign Language Complete the third unit of a foreign language.

L&S Breadth Complete:

- 12 credits of Humanities, which must include at least 6 credits of Literature; and
- 12 credits of Social Science; and
- 12 credits of Natural Science, which must include 6 credits of Biological Science and 6 credits of Physical Science.

Liberal Arts and Science Coursework Complete at least 108 credits.

Depth of Intermediate/Advanced Coursework Complete at least 60 credits at the Intermediate or Advanced level.

Major Declare and complete at least one major.

Total Credits Complete at least 120 credits.

UW-Madison Experience Complete both:

- 30 credits in residence, overall, and
- 30 credits in residence after the 86th credit.

Quality of Work

- 2.000 in all coursework at UW–Madison
- 2.000 in Intermediate/Advanced level coursework at UW–Madison

NON–L&S STUDENTS PURSUING AN L&S MAJOR

Non–L&S students who have permission from their school/college to pursue an additional major within L&S only need to fulfill the major requirements. They do not need to complete the L&S Degree Requirements above.

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE MAJOR

A minimum of 30 credits in SOC courses is required for the basic major. Students are strongly encouraged to complete the Foundation courses as early as possible; these courses are prerequisites for most upper-level SOC courses.

FOUNDATION (CORE)

| Code | Title | Credits |
|---------------------------------------|--|--------------|
| Introduction to SOC (1 course) | | 3-4 |
| SOC/ C&E SOC 210 | Survey of Sociology | |
| SOC/ C&E SOC 211 | The Sociological Enterprise | |
| SOC 181 | Honors Introductory Seminar-The Sociological Enterprise | |
| Research Methods ¹ | | |
| SOC/C&E SOC 357 | Methods of Sociological Inquiry (Research Methods) | 3-4 |
| Statistics ² | | |
| SOC/C&E SOC 360 | Statistics for Sociologists I | 3-4 |
| or ECON 310 | Statistics: Measurement in Economics | |
| or GEOG 360 | Quantitative Methods in Geographical Analysis | |
| or MATH/ STAT 310 | Introduction to Probability and Mathematical Statistics II | |
| or PSYCH 210 | Basic Statistics for Psychology | |
| or STAT 301 | Introduction to Statistical Methods | |
| or STAT 371 | Introductory Applied Statistics for the Life Sciences | |
| Classical Theory | | |
| SOC/C&E SOC 475 | Classical Sociological Theory | 3 |
| Total Credits | | 12-15 |

¹ Students may take methods and statistics in the same semester. If students take methods and statistics in different semesters, we

recommend taking methods before statistics as an entry point to the methods and materials of the field.

² Statistics courses taken outside of the SOC subject do not count for 30-credits required in the major, nor are they upper level in the major.

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4 courses from at least 2 of these areas:

Methods/Statistics

| Code | Title | Credits |
|-----------------|--|---------|
| SOC 351 | Introduction to Survey Methods for Social Research | 3 |
| SOC/C&E SOC 361 | Statistics for Sociologists II | 3 |
| SOC 362 | Statistics for Sociologists III | 3 |
| SOC/C&E SOC 365 | Data Management for Social Science Research | 3-4 |
| SOC 375 | Introduction to Mathematical Sociology | 3 |
| SOC 376 | Mathematical Models of Social Systems | 3 |
| SOC 461 | Study Abroad in Additional Methods and Statistics | 1-6 |

Theory

| Code | Title | Credits |
|----------------|-----------------------------------|---------|
| SOC 462 | Study Abroad in Additional Theory | 1-6 |
| SOC 476 | Contemporary Sociological Theory | 3 |
| SOC/GEN&WS 477 | Feminism and Sociological Theory | 3 |

Deviant Behavior

| Code | Title | Credits |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------|
| SOC 421 | Processes of Deviant Behavior | 3-4 |
| SOC/SOC WORK 422 | Social Issues in Aging | 3 |
| SOC 441 | Criminology | 3-4 |
| SOC 446 | Juvenile Delinquency | 3-4 |
| SOC 463 | Study Abroad in Deviant Behavior | 1-6 |
| SOC/GEN&WS/LEGAL ST 425 | Crime, Gender and Justice | 3 |
| SOC/CHICLA/LEGAL ST 443 | Immigration, Crime, and Enforcement | 3-4 |
| SOC/CHICLA/LEGAL ST 440 | Ethnicity, Race, and Justice | 3-4 |

Social Psychology

| Code | Title | Credits |
|-----------------|--|---------|
| SOC/PSYCH 453 | Human Sexuality | 4 |
| SOC 456 | | 3-4 |
| SOC 464 | Study Abroad in Social Psychology | 1-6 |
| SOC/C&E SOC 532 | Health Care Issues for Individuals, Families and Society | 3 |
| SOC/C&E SOC 533 | Public Health in Rural & Urban Communities | 3 |
| SOC 535 | Talk and Social Interaction | 3 |
| SOC 543 | Collective Behavior | 3 |
| SOC/C&E SOC 573 | Community Organization and Change | 3 |

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| SOC 575 | Sociological Perspectives on the Life Course and Aging | 3 |
| SOC/AMER IND/C&E SOC 578 | Poverty and Place | 3 |

Social Organization

| Code | Title | Credits |
|--------------------------|--|---------|
| SOC/LEGAL ST 415 | The Legal Profession | 3-4 |
| SOC 465 | Study Abroad in Social Organization | 1-6 |
| SOC/CHICLA 470 | Sociodemographic Analysis of Mexican Migration | 3 |
| SOC/GEN&WS 611 | Gender, Science and Technology | 3 |
| SOC/C&E SOC/URB R PL 617 | Community Development | 3 |
| SOC 621 | Class, State and Ideology: an Introduction to Marxist Social Science | 3 |
| SOC/C&E SOC 623 | Gender, Society, and Politics | 3 |
| SOC 624 | Political Sociology | 3 |
| SOC 626 | Social Movements | 3 |
| SOC/C&E SOC 630 | Sociology of Developing Societies/ Third World | 3 |
| SOC 632 | Sociology of Organizations | 3-4 |
| SOC 633 | Social Stratification | 3 |
| SOC 640 | Sociology of the Family | 3 |
| SOC/LAW/LEGAL ST 641 | Sociology of Law | 3-4 |
| SOC 643 | Sociology of Occupations and Professions | 3 |
| SOC/C&E SOC/URB R PL 645 | Modern American Communities | 3 |
| SOC 646 | Race and Ethnic Relations | 3 |
| SOC 647 | Sociology of Sport | 3 |
| SOC/ED POL 648 | Sociology of Education | 3 |
| SOC/C&E SOC 650 | Sociology of Agriculture | 3 |
| SOC/C&E SOC 652 | Sociology of Economic Institutions | 3 |
| SOC/C&E SOC 655 | Microfoundations of Economic Sociology | 3 |
| SOC/HISTORY 670 | Capitalism, Socialism, and Democracy in America Since 1890 | 3-4 |
| SOC 678 | Sociology of Persecution | 3 |

Demography and Ecology

| Code | Title | Credits |
|--------------------------|--|---------|
| SOC/C&E SOC/POP HLTH 380 | Contemporary Population Problems for Honors | 3 |
| SOC 460 | Study Abroad in Demography and Ecology | 1-6 |
| SOC 575 | Sociological Perspectives on the Life Course and Aging | 3 |
| SOC/ECON 663 | Population and Society | 3 |
| SOC 674 | Demographic Techniques I | 3 |

Community and Environmental Sociology

| Code | Title | Credits |
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| SOC/C&E SOC 533 | Public Health in Rural & Urban Communities | 3 |
| SOC/C&E SOC/ ENVIR ST 540 | Sociology of International Development, Environment, and Sustainability | 3 |
| SOC/C&E SOC 541 | Environmental Stewardship and Social Justice | 3 |
| SOC/C&E SOC 573 | Community Organization and Change | 3 |
| SOC 575 | Sociological Perspectives on the Life Course and Aging | 3 |
| SOC/AMER IND/ C&E SOC 578 | Poverty and Place | 3 |
| SOC/C&E SOC/ URB R PL 617 | Community Development | 3 |
| SOC/C&E SOC 650 | Sociology of Agriculture | 3 |

ELECTIVES

Additional SOC courses to achieve the required 30 credits for the major.⁴

⁴ A maximum one introductory course (SOC 181, SOC/C&E SOC 210, SOC/C&E SOC 211) may count toward the 30 required for the major.

RESIDENCE AND QUALITY OF WORK

- 2.000 GPA in all SOC courses and courses that count toward the major
- 2.000 GPA on 15 upper-level major credits, taken in Residence⁵
- 15 credits in SOC, taken on the UW–Madison campus

⁵ SOC courses numbered 300–699 are upper level, except for: C&E SOC/SOC 357, C&E SOC/SOC 360, LEGAL ST/SOC 415, PSYCH/SOC 453, and SOC 497.

SOCIOLOGY: CONCENTRATION IN ANALYSIS AND RESEARCH OPTION

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- **SOCIOLOGY: CONCENTRATION IN ANALYSIS AND RESEARCH** ([HTTP://GUIDE.WISC.EDU/UNDERGRADUATE/LETTERS-SCIENCE/SOCIOLOGY/SOCIOLOGY-BA/SOCIOLOGY-CONCENTRATION-ANALYSIS-RESEARCH-BA/](http://guide.wisc.edu/undergraduate/letters-science/sociology/sociology-ba/sociology-concentration-analysis-research-ba/))

HONORS IN THE MAJOR

Students may declare Honors in the Sociology Major in consultation with the Sociology undergraduate advisor.

HONORS IN THE SOCIOLOGY MAJOR: REQUIREMENTS

To earn Honors in the Major in Sociology, students must satisfy the requirements for the major (above) and the following additional requirements:

- Earn a 3.300 University GPA
- Earn a 3.300 GPA for all SOC courses, and all courses accepted in the major

- Complete 21 credits, taken for Honors, with individual grades of B or better, to include:

| Code | Title | Credits |
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| SOC/C&E SOC 357 | Methods of Sociological Inquiry | 4 |
| SOC/C&E SOC 475 | Classical Sociological Theory | 3 |
| SOC 681 | Senior Honors Thesis | 3 |
| SOC 682 | Senior Honors Thesis | 3 |

The remaining Honors credits, to reach the 21 credit minimum, must be in courses at or above the 300 level.

Students may declare the Concentration in Analysis and Research ("CAR"). Speak to the major advisor about this option.

UNIVERSITY DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

Total Degree To receive a bachelor's degree from UW–Madison, students must earn a minimum of 120 degree credits. The requirements for some programs may exceed 120 degree credits. Students should consult with their college or department advisor for information on specific credit requirements.

Residency Degree candidates are required to earn a minimum of 30 credits in residence at UW–Madison. "In residence" means on the UW–Madison campus with an undergraduate degree classification. "In residence" credit also includes UW–Madison courses offered in distance or online formats and credits earned in UW–Madison Study Abroad/Study Away programs.

Quality of Work Undergraduate students must maintain the minimum grade point average specified by the school, college, or academic program to remain in good academic standing. Students whose academic performance drops below these minimum thresholds will be placed on academic probation.