

# Sociology, B.A.

## DEPARTMENT

MN in Sociology, Minor  
BA in Sociology, B.A.  
MN in Philanthropic and Community-Based Leadership, Minor

## REQUIREMENTS

Department

### **Bachelor of Arts Degree Requirements Sociology Major**

#### **1. Major requirements (45 units)**

Tier One Lower-Division: SOC 1 (or 1S); SOC 3 (or 3S) or SSCI 16 (6 units)

Tier Two Upper-Division: SOC 125 and 130W (or 130WS ) or Upper-Division Writing Exam (See Major Advising Note 2) (4-8 units)

Tier Three (Theory and Methods): SOC 151; 152 or 153; 175; and 176 (16 units)

Sociology Upper-Division electives (15-19 units)

#### **2. General Education requirements (49 units)**

#### **3. Other requirements (6 units)**

Upper-division writing and Multicultural and International (MI)

#### **4. Sufficient elective units to meet required total units (varies)**

#### **5. Total units (120)\***

\*For sociology majors, SOC 111 and SOC 142 will not double count towards MI Requirement and will need to take an MI course outside the Department of Sociology.

\*\* G.E. courses can be double-counted with major requirements. The writing requirement may be met by taking the upper-division writing exam. This total indicates that 6 units of SOC 3 or 3S in G.E. Foundation A3 and SOC 1 or 1S in G.E. Breadth D3 may be applied to the sociology major. Consult the department chair, faculty advisor, or College Advising Center for additional details and guidance on electives.

### **Major Advising Notes**

1. Tier One Lower-Division courses — SOC 1/1S and SOC 3/3S or SSCI 16 — must be completed with a grade of C or better before enrollment in Tier Two Upper-Division courses.
2. Tier Two Upper Division courses — SOC 125 and 130W/WS — must be completed with a grade of C or better completed before enrollment in Tier Three courses, generally before the second semester of the junior year.
3. Tier Three Theory and Methods Core — SOC 152 or 153, SOC 151, SOC 175, and SOC 176 — must be completed with a 2.0 GPA.
4. Upper-division electives may be taken in any sequence.
5. Students majoring in sociology are permitted to pass the Upper-Division Writing Examination (UDWE) in lieu of taking SOC 130W/WS, thus completing only one course for 4 units in Tier Two Upper Division Core. However, students must still complete a minimum of 45 units of sociology coursework for the B.A. If the student requests 1 unit of ENGL 100W for passing the UDWE, that unit will be applied to the overall elective unit total for the B.A.
6. CR/NC grading is not permitted in the sociology major, except for courses offered only under CR/NC grading.

## FACULTY

All full-time faculty hold Ph.D.s and share a commitment to excellence in teaching. Their areas of special interest are diverse, including social change, deviance, women in society, social stratification, social psychology, social theory, and research methods. All are involved in the Center for the Study of Social Life in the San Joaquin Valley, which promotes scholarship and research with a regional focus. Most of the faculty are actively involved in research. Recent faculty research has included studies of opinions on women's issues, willingness to pay additional taxes, prayer, stereotypes and ethnic prejudice, and the social organization of sport.

For faculty phone numbers and e-mail, see the campus directory.

For more on the faculty, see the faculty pages.

The faculty pages are updated by the department or program.