

SOCIOLOGY (BA)

Sociology is an analytic discipline concerned with understanding people as creators of, and participants in, society. The field is broadly concerned with the study of modern society and its social organizations, institutions, groups, and social roles. Sociologists study social influences on human behavior, such as sexuality, ethnic identity, and religious belief, and how individuals become members of families and communities. The field is also concerned with social problems, especially all forms of prejudice, discrimination, and inequality, and with poverty, crime, violence, and the threatened environment. Sociologists emphasize sources of social problems in the organization of society, public policies for their alleviation, and today's questions of social justice. Finally, they study how individuals, both alone and working in groups, can change the society in which they live. A major in sociology opens many doors for careers and is excellent background for advanced training in a variety of other fields.

Requirements

At least 24 credits of SOCI courses at the 2000 level or above are required:

| Course | Title | Credits |
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| SOCI 3201 | Methods of Social Research ¹ | 3 |
| SOCI 3211Q | Quantitative Methods in Social Research ¹ | 4 |
| SOCI 3251 | Social Theory ¹ | 3 |
| 15 additional credits (usually five courses) must be taken from any 2000-level or above courses offered by the department ² | | 15 |

¹ Students must take SOCI 1001 Introduction to Sociology, SOCI 1251 Social Problems, SOCI 1501 Race, Class, and Gender or SOCI 1701 Society in Global Perspective prior to taking this course.

² No more than three credits of SOCI 3990 Internship: Field Experience can apply to the major.

Passing SOCI 3201 Methods of Social Research satisfies the information literacy competency. The writing in the major requirement can be satisfied by passing any 2000 or 3000-level W course in Sociology.

A maximum of eleven 2000-level or above transfer credits in sociology may count toward the major with department approval.

A minor in Sociology is described in the "Minors" section.

University General Education Requirements

Every student must meet a set of core requirements to earn a baccalaureate degree, in addition to those required by the student's major course of study and other requirements set by the student's school or college. For more information about these requirements, please see General Education Requirements (<https://catalog.uconn.edu/undergraduate/gen-ed-requirements/>).

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Degree Requirements

Students must meet a set of requirements established by the college in addition to the University's General Education requirements. For more information, see the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

(<https://catalog.uconn.edu/undergraduate/liberal-arts-sciences/#requirementstext>) section of this catalog.

Accelerated (4+1) Master of Arts in Sociology

The accelerated (4+1) M.A. in Sociology is designed for UConn undergraduates who want to develop the training and skills needed to pursue careers focused on social justice. The program allows students to get graduate-level training in several general areas of specialization, including but not limited to: Gender, Sexuality, Racism, Social Inequality, Human Rights, Politics; and Research Methods. The program requires a total of 30 graduate credits. Up to 12 credits of the required graduate coursework taken while the student is an undergraduate may be used toward both the B.A. and M.A. Plans of Study. Students must also receive approval from a faculty member that will serve as their advisor.