

College of Liberal Arts and Human  
Sciences Bachelor of Science in Sociology  
Department of Sociology  
Major: Sociology  
Major Option: Social Inequality

For students graduating in calendar year 2022 and for student date of entry under UG Catalog 2020-2021

**Checksheets:** This checksheet specifies the requirements for a major in sociology with a social inequality option.

**Number of Credits for a Bachelor of Science Degree: 120 credits.**

77 credits must be completed beyond what is required for a sociology major with a social inequality option.

**Number of Credits for a Sociology Major with a Social Inequality Option: 43 credits.**

The 43 credits consist of 22 credits of sociology core degree courses.

**Number of Credits of Free Electives: 29 credits.**

**Number of Credits for the Pathways to General Education Curriculum: 45 credits.**

All students with a sociology major are required to complete the Pathways to General Education Curriculum.

**Double Majors in the Department of Sociology:** The Department of Sociology offers a major in sociology, with and without options, and a major in criminology. Students are permitted to obtain both majors. Courses in the sociology core degree can meet the requirements of both majors, but none of the other required or elective courses taken for either major can count toward the other.

**Minimum GPA:** A minimum 2.0 in-major GPA and 2.0 overall GPA.

All courses with a SOC prefix or cross-listed with SOC are included in the calculation of the in-major GPA.

**Grade Requirement:** Courses taken as part of the sociology major with a social inequality option must be taken for a letter grade of A-F.

**Requirements for Satisfactory Progress:** Students must have completed Introductory Sociology (SOC 1004), Sociological Theory (SOC 3104), Social Research Methods (SOC 3204), and an additional 9 credits of sociology courses prior to attempting 72 credits (including transfer, advanced placement, advanced standing, and credit by examination).

Upon having attempted 60 credits, students must have an in-major GPA of 2.0 and an in-major GPA of 2.0 thereafter to be considered as making satisfactory progress toward the degree.

If satisfactory progress is not made, procedures will be followed as required by the Academic Eligibility Policy.

**Prerequisites:** Check the Undergraduate Course Catalog & Academic Policies for prerequisites.

**Advising:** Regular contact with the academic advisor for sociology is not required but strongly encouraged. Call (540) 231-8971 to schedule an appointment. The Department of Sociology office is located at 560 McBryde Hall.

**Sociology Major with a Social Inequality Option**

**Sociology Core Degree Required Courses: 22 credits**

*In accordance with university guidelines, courses satisfying degree core requirements may not be double counted to satisfy other areas of a degree (e.g. Pathways to General Education Curriculum).*

**Sociology: 19 credits. Take in the order listed**

_____	SOC 1004	Introductory Sociology (3) (including First Year Experience)
_____	SOC 2104	Quantitative Approaches to Community Research (3) (Pre: SOC 1004)
_____	SOC 3104*	Sociological Theory (3) (Pre: SOC 1004)
_____	SOC 3204	Social Research Methods (4) (Pre: SOC 1004).
_____	SOC 3004	Social Inequality (3) (Pre: SOC 1004)
_____	SOC 4194	Senior Seminar (3) (Pre: SOC 3104 and SOC 3204)

**Africana Studies, American Indian Studies and Women's and Gender Studies Electives: 3 credits**

**Select one of the following:**

_____	AFST 1714	Introduction to African American Studies (3)
_____	AINS 1104	Introduction to American Indian Studies (3)
_____	WGS 1824	Introduction to Women's and Gender Studies (3)

\*Recommend taking two of the following courses prior to registering for SOC 3104, Sociological Theory: SOC 2004, Social Problems, SOC 2014, Sociology of Intimate Relationships, SOC 2024, Sociology of Race and Ethnicity, SOC 2034, Diversity and Community Engagement, SOC 2304, Individual in Society, and/or SOC 2404, Deviant Behavior.

**Social Inequality Option Required Courses: 18 credits.**

Select 18 credits from the list below.

A course not taken as a required course can be used as a social inequality option elective.

_____ SOC 2024	Sociology of Race and Ethnicity (3)
_____ SOC 2034	Diversity and Community Engagement (3)
_____ WGS 2264 (AFST 2264) (SOC 2264)	Race, Class, Gender, and Sexualities (3) (Pre: WGS 1824)
_____ AFST 2454 (SOC 2454)	Race and Racism (3)
_____ SOC 3014	Gender Relations (3) (Pre: SOC 1004)
_____ SOC 3714	Sociology of Aging (3) (Pre: SOC 1004)
_____ SOC 4404	Sociology of Law (3) (Pre: SOC 1004)
_____ SOC 4754	Internship (3) (in related field with approval of the department chair) (Junior or senior standing)

**Social Inequality Option Elective: 3 credits.**

Select 3 credits from the list on the following page of social inequality electives. A course not taken as a social inequality required course can be used as a social inequality option elective. Check the Undergraduate Course Catalog & Academic Policies for prerequisites. A maximum of 3 credits from SOC 4754 (Internship), SOC 4964 (Field Study), and SOC 4974 (Independent Study) can be used to fulfill this requirement.

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**Social Inequality Option Electives**

AFST 1714	Introduction to African American Studies (3)
AFST 2275 (HIST 2275)	African-American History (1619 to 1877) (3)
AFST 2276 (HIST 2276)	African-American History (1877 to present) (3)
AFST 2354	The Civil Rights Movement (3)
AFST 2454 (SOC 2454)	Race and Racism (3)
AFST 2734	The Black Woman in the U.S. (3)
AFST 3174	African American Men in U.S. History (3)
AINS 1104	Introduction to American Indian Studies (3)
AINS 3684 (PSCI 3684)	Indigenous Peoples and World Politics (3)
PSVP 2044	Peace and Violence (3)
SOC 2024	Sociology of Race and Ethnicity (3)
SOC 2034	Diversity and Community Engagement (3)
SOC 2514 (RLCL 2514)	Asian American Experience (3)
SOC 3014	Gender Relations (3) (Pre: SOC 1004)
SOC 3303	Social Movements (3) (Pre: SOC 1004)
SOC 3614	Gender and Work in the U.S. (3) (Pre: SOC 1004)
SOC 3714	Sociology of Aging (3) (Pre: SOC 1004)
SOC 3854	Globalization: Sociological Perspectives (3)
SOC 4404	Sociology of Law (3) (Pre: SOC 1004)
SOC 4754	Internship (3) (Pre: SOC 1004), in related area with approval of the department chair) (Junior or senior standing)
SOC 4764 (GEOG 4764) (UAP 4764)	International Development Policy and Planning (3) (Pre: Junior standing)
SOC 4964	Field Study (variable) in related area with approval of department chair.
SOC 4974	Independent Study (variable) in related area with approval of department chair.
WGS 1824	Introduction to Women's and Gender Studies (3)
WGS 2114	Feminist Theory (3) (Pre: WGS 1824)
WGS 2254	Feminist Activism (3) (Pre: WGS 1824)
WGS 2284	Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer Issues (3) (Pre: WGS 1824)
WGS 3214	Global Feminisms (3) (Pre: WGS 2264)

**Pathways for General Education and Curriculum and Foreign Language**

**Pathways for General Education and Curriculum:** 45 credits.

All students must fulfill the requirements of the Pathways for General Education and Curriculum. Check the Undergraduate Course Catalog & Academic Policies for prerequisites.

**Core Concept 1: Discourse (9 hours)**

1A: Applied/Advanced - Select from approved Pathways courses	3cr _____
1f: Foundational - First -Year Writing	3cr _____ ENGL 1105
1f: Foundational - First -Year Writing	3cr _____ ENGL 1106

**Core Concept 2: Critical Thinking in the Humanities (6 hours)**

Select from approved Pathways courses	3cr _____
	3cr _____

**Core Concept 3: Reasoning in the Social Sciences (6 hours)**

Select from approved Pathways courses	3cr _____
	3cr _____

**Core Concept 4: Reasoning in the Natural Sciences (6 hours)**

Select from approved Pathways courses	3cr _____
	3cr _____

**Core Concept 5: Quantitative and Computational Thinking (9 hours)**

5A: Applied/Advanced – Select from approved Pathways courses	3cr _____
5f: Foundational – Select from approved Pathways courses	3cr _____
5f: Foundational – Select from approved Pathways courses	3cr _____

**Core Concept 6: Critique and Practice in Design and the Arts (6 hours)**

6A: Practice in the Arts- select from approved courses	3cr _____
6D: Practice in Design- select from approved courses	3cr _____

**Core Concept 7: Critical Analysis of Identity and Equity in the United States (3 hours)**

Select from approved Pathways courses	3cr _____
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**Foreign Language Requirement:**

Students who completed 3 years of a single foreign, classical, or sign language in high school have completed this requirement. Students who did not complete 3 years of a foreign, classical, or sign language in high school must complete one of the following:

- 2 years of a foreign, classical, or sign language in high school plus FL 1106 or the equivalent in college. These 3 hours count towards the 120 required for graduation.
- Complete FL 1105-1106 or the equivalent in college. These 6 hours do not count toward the 120 required for graduation.
- Complete either SPAN 1114, GER 1114, RUS 1114, or ITAL 1114. The 4 hours do not count towards the 120 required for graduation.