

Sociology BA: Applied Sociology Emphasis Online Degree Program Curriculum Guide

Required LAC Courses (6 hours)

- SOC 100 Principles of Sociology (3)
- STAT 150 Introduction to Statistical Analysis* (3)

Required Credits in Major (41 hours)

Required Core Courses (20+ hours)

- SOC 231 Introduction to Sociological Practice (3)
- SOC 351 Classical Social Theory (3)
- SOC 352 Contemporary Social Theory (3)
- SOC 361 Methods of Sociological Research I (3)
- SOC 363 Methods of Sociological Research I Lab (1)
- SOC 362 Methods of Sociological Research II (3)
- SOC 364 Methods of Sociological Research II Lab (1)
- SOC 492 Practicum in Applied Sociology (3-9)

Choose a Required Concentration (9+ hours)

Take a **minimum of three** courses in the area of concentration you choose. Other variable title courses (SOC 295, SOC 302, and SOC 395) may also be used to fulfill any concentration with your advisor's approval.

Life Course and Social Identity

- SOC 221 Sociology of Gender
- SOC 222 Sociology of Popular Culture
- SOC 278 Sociology of Emotions
- SOC 322 Women and Aging
- SOC 326 Soc of Childhood and Adolescence
- SOC 332 Social Psychology
- SOC 340 Juvenile Delinquency
- SOC 377 Self in Modern Society
- SOC 471 Sociology of Aging

Institutions

- SOC 330 Sociology of Organizations
- SOC 347 Sociology of Corrections
- SOC 374 Sociology of Sport

Deviance, Delinquency and Crime

- SOC 247 Social Deviance
- SOC 340 Juvenile Delinquency
- SOC 347 Sociology of Corrections
- SOC 423 Violence and the Family

Social Policy

- SOC 170 Social Problems
- SOC 235 Social Change in a Global Context
- SOC 322 Women and Aging
- SOC 333 Social Class and Inequality
- SOC 340 Juvenile Delinquency
- SOC 374 Sociology of Sport
- SOC 471 Sociology of Aging

Additional Sociology courses should be taken to reach 41 hours. Speak with your Academic Program Coordinator to ensure all courses will count toward your degree completion.

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STAT 150 Introduction to Statistical Analysis (3)

Prerequisite: MATH 023 with a grade of “C” or better (C- is not acceptable), or a full year of high school modern second year algebra with a grade of “C” or better (C- is not acceptable), or consent of instructor. Study techniques used in organizing data, including frequency distributions, histograms, measures of central tendency, measures of dispersion, probability distributions, point estimation, interval estimation and testing hypotheses. (LAC, gtP)

SOC 100 Principles of Sociology (3)

Some sections offered in the format (2 lecture, 1 recitation). Overview of basic theories, methods, concepts and issues central to the discipline of sociology. Examine the relationship between social behavior and society. (LAC, gtP)

SOC 120 Introduction to Family Studies (3)

Survey the characteristics, issues and problems of the family as a social institution. Topics discussed include: marital satisfaction, conflict, mate selection, alternatives and social change. (LAC, gtP)

SOC 170 Social Problems (3)

Analysis of selected social problems, both domestic and global. Exploration of why social problems occur, how different value premises and theoretical perspectives lead to distinctive ways of addressing social problems. Issues such as poverty, crime, homelessness, intergroup conflicts are examples of the types of issues examined. (LAC)

SOC 221 Sociology of Gender (3)

Examine gender stratification and social inequality. Topics include cultural definitions of masculinity and femininity, socialization and social change. (LAC, gtP)

SOC 222 Sociology of Popular Culture (3)

Examines sociological perspectives, theories, and research on popular culture in society. Focus on people, activities, organizations, and institutions involved in production of popular culture.

SOC 231 Introduction to Sociological Practice (3)

Examine facets of sociology in action, including the sub-disciplines of applied sociology and clinical sociology. Focus is on applying sociology in order to make a better world.

SOC 235 Social Change in a Global Context (3)

This course includes a survey of the major economic, political and social forces that have shaped the modern world. The course will provide an introduction to theories of social change as well as a discussion of contemporary issues in a globalizing context. (LAC)

SOC 237 Sociology of Minorities (3)

Examine intergroup relations and the dynamics of power relating to ethnicity and other dimensions of social life that have produced tension and conflict among groups historically and in the present. (LAC, gtP)

SOC 247 Social Deviance (3)

Study social deviancy, particularly in terms of types, sources, functions, dysfunctions and social control mechanisms that operate relative to those departures from conformity.

SOC 278 Sociology of Emotions (3)

Examines sociological perspectives, theories, and research on emotions. Focus on the social definitions and relationship between social structure; and emotional socialization, emotion rules, management, and performance rituals in everyday life.

SOC 322 Women and Aging (3)

Aging from a female perspective. Aspects of maturity and old age are examined with particular reference to women.

SOC 326 Sociology of Childhood and Adolescence (3)

Prerequisite: SOC 100. Examine the societal definition of childhood and adolescence and how social institutions influence socialization.

SOC 330 Sociology of Organizations (3)

Study the social structure of modern bureaucratic organizations. Review human behavior in organizations from a sociological perspective.

SOC 332 Social Psychology (3)

Prerequisite: SOC 100. Examine the relationships between individuals and social systems. Focus on language interaction, self-conceptualizing behaviors and change. Review dominant social psychological theories and issues.

SOC 333 Social Class and Inequality (3)

Prerequisite: SOC 100. Presents a critical analysis of the realities of America's open-class system, making use of current theoretical perspectives and systematic research. Examines cross-cultural perspectives of stratification.

SOC 340 Juvenile Delinquency (3)

Study the history of juvenile law, enforcement structures and explanations for the emergence of delinquency. Study the American juvenile legal system and its major problems.

SOC 347 Sociology of Corrections (3)

Survey of the history and structure of punishment in Western societies. Review of the major philosophies and practices of modern corrections.

SOC 351 Classical Social Theory (3)

Prerequisite: SOC 100. Study the major classical theorists who established the foundations of sociology during the late 19th and early 20th centuries. Focus on the emergence of sociology.

SOC 352 Contemporary Social Theory (3)

Prerequisite: SOC 351. Review the major modern theoretical paradigms and prominent contemporary theorists in sociology. Examine contemporary issues in sociology.

SOC 361 Methods of Sociological Research I (3)

(3 lecture, 1 laboratory) Prerequisites: SOC 100 and STAT 150 or BACS 291. Juniors and above. Introduces the fundamental logic and methods of social research. Topics may include hypothesis formulation and testing, designing a research project, sampling, methods of data collection including surveys and field observation, analysis of data utilizing statistical procedures, introduction to a statistical computer package, data presentation, report writing, ethical issues. This is the first of a two course sequence.

SOC 362 Methods of Sociological Research II (3)

(3 lecture, 1 laboratory) Prerequisite: SOC 361. Juniors and above. A continuation of SOC 361 which includes an extension of methods of collecting and analyzing data discussed in SOC 361. The course may include topics such as index and scale construction, further use of computer applications for analysis, basic logic of multivariate causal reasoning and its application, analysis of variance and regression, introduction to evaluation research, report writing, and data presentation. The knowledge and skills gained in this two course research sequence may be used to design, conduct and present the results of a research study.

SOC 363 Methods of Sociological Research I Lab (1)

(1 laboratory) Co-requisite: SOC 361. Designed to familiarize students with the use of a statistical package for the social sciences. Students learn to organize, input and analyze data in a series of research reports.

SOC 364 Methods of Sociological Research II Lab (1)

(1 laboratory) Co-requisite: SOC 362. Continued instruction of a statistical package for the social sciences. Students learn to analyze and interpret computer output for a variety of inferential statistical techniques.

SOC 374 Sociology of Sport (3)

This course introduces students to the sociological study of sport. This course focuses on sports as social and cultural phenomena.

SOC 377 Self in Modern Society (3)

Prerequisite: SOC 100. Examine interrelationship between self and society in the modern world. Focus on sociological theories and research that analyze social influences on the self and response of self to these influences.

SOC 395 Topics in Sociology (1-3)

Prerequisite: SOC 100. Offerings focus on sociological topics, not regularly offered in the program. Topics focus on expertise of available instructors and the specific needs of students. Repeatable, under different subtitles. S/U graded or letter graded. Access online course list. Open CRN link to view syllabus and evaluation method.

SOC 423 Violence and the Family (3)

Prerequisite: SOC 100. Juniors or above. Examine major issues in family violence such as defining family violence, comparing types of explanations from different disciplines and translating social science perspectives to policy and social service delivery systems.

SOC 471 Sociology of Aging (3)

Prerequisites: SOC 100. Juniors or above. Survey theories and research on the social aspects of aging with emphasis on later maturity and old age. Capstone course.

SOC 492 Practicum in Applied Sociology (3-9)

Prerequisites: SOC 231, SOC 352, SOC 362. Complete an individualized research project for a community agency or organization. Classroom component addresses issues in applied theory, applied research and professional socialization. Capstone course for Applied Sociology emphasis. Repeatable, maximum of 9 credits.