

SOCIOLOGY CONCENTRATION

Requirements

The Sociology Concentration requires a minimum of 39 units, of which 24 must be upper-level. A minimum of 21 of the required total units in the Sociology Concentration must be earned at Towson University. Up to 18 units can be completed elsewhere and applied toward the concentration with the approval of a department adviser.

Code	Title	Units
Basic Required Courses		
SOCI 101 or SOCI 102	INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY HONORS INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY	3
Select one of the following:		3
ANTH 207	CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY	
ANTH 210	HONORS CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY	
ANTH 212	PALEOANTHROPOLOGY AND ARCHAEOLOGY	
Select one of the following:		3-4
ECON 205	STATISTICS FOR BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS I	
MATH 231	BASIC STATISTICS	
SOCI 212	SOCIAL STATISTICS	
Lower-Level Sociology Electives		
Select two of the following:		6
SOCI 210	SOCIOLOGY OF SPORT	
SOCI 241	BLACKS IN AMERICA: MYTHS AND REALITY	
SOCI 243	SOCIOLOGY OF RACE, CLASS AND GENDER	
SOCI 249	SOCIAL PROBLEMS	
SOCI 265	STATUS, FRIENDSHIP, INTIMACY	
Theory and Methods Component ¹		
SOCI 381	SOCIOLOGICAL THEORY	3
SOCI 391	RESEARCH METHODS	3
Application, Engagement and Advanced Study		
Select one of the following courses:		3-4
ANTH 380	ETHNOGRAPHIC FIELD METHODS	
CRMJ 353	THEORIES OF CRIME	
SOCI 300	SOCIOLOGICAL ANALYSIS ²	
SOCI 329	DEMOGRAPHY	
SOCI 485	SEMINAR IN SOCIOLOGY ²	
SOCI 491	INTERNSHIP IN SOCIOLOGY I	
SOCI 495	INDEPENDENT RESEARCH	
SOCI 498	HONORS READINGS IN SOCIOLOGY ³	
Upper-Level Sociology Electives		
Five courses from the following three thematic categories; at least one course must be completed from each group, and at least four courses must be from Sociology (SOCI):		15
Social Inequalities		
ANTH 321	ANTHROPOLOGY OF GENDER	
ANTH 365	NORTH AMERICAN INDIANS	
CRMJ 307	ISSUES IN DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	

CRMJ 345	RACE, CRIME, AND JUSTICE	
CRMJ 348	WOMEN, CRIME, AND JUSTICE	
SOCI 312	SOCIOLOGY OF GENDER	
SOCI 341	CLASS, STATUS AND POWER	
SOCI 343	SOCIOLOGY OF RACE AND ETHNICITY	
SOCI 370	TOPICS IN SOCIOLOGY ⁴	
SOCI 440	SOCIOLOGY OF IMMIGRATION	
SOCI 492	INTERNSHIP IN SOCIOLOGY II ⁵	
SOCI 499	HONORS THESIS IN SOCIOLOGY ³	
Social Processes/Interaction		
ANTH 325	MORAL PANICS	
CRMJ 358	INTERPERSONAL VIOLENCE	
SOCI 311	INDIVIDUAL AND SOCIETY	
SOCI 313	INTRODUCTION TO SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGY	
SOCI 323	SOCIAL MOVEMENTS	
SOCI 331	DEVIANCE AND ORGANIZATIONS	
SOCI 336	SOCIOLOGY OF MENTAL ILLNESS	
SOCI 351	DEVIANT BEHAVIOR	
SOCI 359	SOCIAL GERONTOLOGY	
SOCI 370	TOPICS IN SOCIOLOGY ⁴	
SOCI 492	INTERNSHIP IN SOCIOLOGY II ⁵	
SOCI 499	HONORS THESIS IN SOCIOLOGY ³	
Social Institutions/Contexts		
CRMJ 355	DELINQUENCY AND JUVENILE JUSTICE	
SOCI 301	THE FAMILY	
SOCI 324	SOCIOLOGY OF POPULAR CULTURE	
SOCI 326	RELIGION AND SOCIETY	
SOCI 327	URBAN SOCIOLOGY	
SOCI 331	DEVIANCE AND ORGANIZATIONS	
SOCI 333	POLITICAL SOCIOLOGY	
SOCI 335	MEDICAL SOCIOLOGY	
SOCI 362	WORK AND OCCUPATIONS	
SOCI 370	TOPICS IN SOCIOLOGY (Sociology Outside the Classroom) ⁴	
SOCI 370	TOPICS IN SOCIOLOGY ⁴	
SOCI 383	SOCIOLOGY OF LAW	
SOCI 492	INTERNSHIP IN SOCIOLOGY II ⁵	
SOCI 499	HONORS THESIS IN SOCIOLOGY ³	
Total Units		39-41

¹ SOCI 381 recommended to be taken before SOCI 391.

² SOCI 300 and SOCI 485 are recommended for students considering graduate school in sociology.

³ Students who wish to graduate with Departmental Honors must complete both SOCI 498 and SOCI 499 and follow honors procedures.

Contact the department for this information. **Adviser consent required** for approval of SOCI 499. Topic of thesis must be related to designated area in order for course to count. Course cannot be counted in more than one place.

⁴ No more than two 370-level "Topics" courses can be completed for credit in the SOCI concentration. **Adviser consent required** for approval in designated area. Topic of course must be related to designated area in order for course to count. Course cannot be counted in more than one place.

⁵ Adviser consent required for approval of SOCI 492 in designated area. Topic of internships must be related to designated area in order for course to count. Course cannot be counted in more than one place.

Four-Year Plan of Study

Sample Four-Year Plan

The selected course sequence below is an example of the simplest path to degree completion. Based on course schedules, student needs, and student choice, individual plans may vary. Students should consult with their adviser to make the most appropriate elective choices and to ensure that they have completed the required number of units (120) to graduate.

Freshman

Term 1	Units Term 2	Units
Select one of the following:	3 Select one of the following:	3
ANTH 207 (Core 12)	ECON 205 (Core 3)	
ANTH 210 (Core 12)	MATH 231 (Core 3)	
ANTH 212 (Core 8)	SOCI 212	
SOCI 101 or 102 (Core 6)	3 Core 3 (if not taken above) or Elective	3
Core 1 (or Core 2)	3 Core 2 (or Core 1)	3
Core 8 (or Core 12)	3-4 Core 4	3
Elective	3 Elective	3
	15-16	15

Sophomore

Term 1	Units Term 2	Units
Lower-Level SOCI Elective	3-4 Lower-Level SOCI Elective	3
Core 5	3 Upper-Level SOCI Elective	3
Core 7	3-4 Core 9	3
Elective	3 Core 10	3
Elective	3 Elective	3
	15-17	15

Junior

Term 1	Units Term 2	Units
SOCI 381	3 SOCI 391	3
Upper-Level SOCI Elective	3 Upper-Level SOCI Elective	3
Core 11	3 Core 14	3
Core 13	3 Elective	3
Elective	3 Elective	3
	15	15

Senior

Term 1	Units Term 2	Units
App/Eng/Adv Study Course	3 Upper-Level SOCI Elective	3
Upper-Level SOCI Elective	3 Elective	3
Elective	3 Elective	3
Elective	3 Elective	3
Elective	3 Elective (optional) ¹	3
	15	15

Total Units 120-123

¹ This elective is optional and only necessary if the student is not on target to earn 120 units by the end of their final term.

Learning Outcomes

1. Demonstrate effective written and presentation skills appropriate within the major.
2. Formulate social research questions, identify and apply various relevant methods, and demonstrate the ability to interpret research findings.
3. Analyze how people's lives are shaped by a social world that includes diversity, inequality, social processes and structures.
4. Apply theoretical and methodological tools of the disciplines to conceptualize and evaluate contemporary social issues and phenomena.