

SOCIOLOGY

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Information for Sociology Majors

Sociology is the scientific or systematic study of human groups, behavior, and interaction. The sociological perspective is a powerful tool to critically analyze and understand contemporary society at the local, regional, national, and global levels. Sociology focuses on face-to-face social interactions as well as on large-scale social institutions such as economy, politics, education, mass media, religion, and the criminal justice system. Sociology's subject matter ranges from the intimate family setting to the large, impersonal organization, from the world of work to the world of sport, from social divisions of class, race, and gender to cultural bonds based on shared values and traditions. It emphasizes how individual behavior is influenced by the structure of society and how individual behavior can change the structure of society. The program at Cabrillo provides a solid core curriculum that includes general and topical courses. All classes emphasize multicultural and gender issues.

A sociology major usually transfers to a four-year institution to complete a Bachelor's Degree. Because of the broad scope of subject matter, sociology is excellent preparation for a wide range of career paths, including teaching, journalism, law, business, communications, non-profit management, corrections/law enforcement, social work, counseling, urban planning, public service, and politics.

MODEL PROGRAM FOR SOCIOLOGY

The following model program fulfills requirements for an A.A. Degree in Sociology at Cabrillo College. Specific lower division major preparation at four-year public institutions in California can be found at www.assist.org. Please see a counselor for advisement for transfer to any four-year institution.

Core Courses	Units
SOC 1	Introduction to Sociology: Understanding Society 3
SOC 2	Contemporary Social Problems 3
SOC 3	Sociology of Race and Ethnicity. 3

Highly Recommended:

*MATH 12	Elementary Statistics 4
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*A transferable math course is required for transfer to CSU or UC. MATH 12 is specifically required by UC Berkeley and San Jose State University.

Approved Sociology Electives for the A.A. Degree in Sociology:

SOC 5	Sociology of Gender 3
SOC 8	Sociology of Latinos and Latinas 3
SOC 47	Sociology of Crime and Deviance 3

Other Electives

ANTHR 2	Introduction to Anthropology: Cultural 3
COMM 12	Intercultural Communications 3
ECON 1A	Introduction to Macroeconomics 3
OR	
ECON 1B	Introduction to Microeconomics 3
HIST 15	Recent American History 3
HIST 17B	United States History since 1865. 3
HIST 21B	Chicano History since 1865 3
HIST 29B	African American History since 1865. 3
JOURN 21	Mass Communication 3
PS 2	Comparative Government. 3
PSYCH 6	Introduction to Social Psychology 3
WS 5	La Mujer. 3
WS 10	Introduction to Women's Studies 3

Associate in Arts Degree in Sociology

General Education	30
Sociology Core Courses	9
Approved Sociology Electives	6-9
Other Electives	12-15
Total for A.A. Degree in Sociology	60

Sociology Courses

SOC 1

Introduction to Sociology: Understanding Society

3 units; 3 hours Lecture

Recommended Preparation: Eligibility for ENGL 100 and READ 100.

Introduces basic sociological concepts, theories, and methods used to understand the dynamics of human interaction and society, including culture, stratification, social mobility, identity, and collective behavior as they affect individuals and society. May be offered in Distance-Learning Format.

Transfer Credit: Transfers to CSU. Transfers to UC. CAN SOC2.

SOC 2

Contemporary Social Problems

3 units; 3 hours Lecture

Recommended Preparation: Eligibility for ENGL 100 and READ 100.

Examines major social problems and alternative solutions. Topics considered may include poverty; race, sex, age discrimination; crime, deviance, and drug abuse; sexuality; health; education; economy; politics; and such global problems as population, pollution, and international conflict. Encourages development of a sociological perspective for thinking about controversial social issues. May be offered in Distance-Learning Format.

Transfer Credit: Transfers to CSU. Transfers to UC. CAN SOC4.

SOC 3

Sociology of Race and Ethnicity

3 units; 3 hours Lecture

Recommended Preparation: Eligibility for ENGL 100 and READ 100.

Examines the sociological dynamics of race and ethnicity in the United States, focusing on minority/majority relations. Explores the interplay between race, ethnicity, and social institutions. Topics may include immigration patterns, identity formation, and comparative race/ethnic relations. Emphasizes socioeconomic and gender issues.

Transfer Credit: Transfers to CSU. Transfers to UC.

SOC 5

Sociology of Gender

3 units; 3 hours Lecture

Recommended Preparation: Eligibility for ENGL 100 and READ 100.

Analyzes masculine and feminine socialization and roles in society with an emphasis on concepts of the self, reciprocal role expectations, sociological interpretations of the causes and consequences of sex role differentiation, and how these impact the individual, society, and social change. May be offered in a Distance-Learning Format.

Transfer Credit: Transfers to CSU. Transfers to UC.

SOC 8

Sociology of Latinos and Latinas

3 units; 3 hours Lecture

Recommended Preparation: Eligibility for ENGL 100 and READ 100.

Explores the contemporary experiences of different Latino/a groups in the U.S., focusing on regional, national, and global processes. Examines how Latino/a groups have been incorporated into and have contributed to the development of the economic, political, social, and cultural systems in the United States. Emphasizes the interconnections among social processes, group interaction, and individual identity formation. Addresses how overlapping social categories such as national origin, race, class, gender, age, and sexuality shape the lives of Latinos/as. May be offered in a Distance-Learning Format.

Transfer Credit: Transfers to CSU. Transfers to UC.

SOC 39A-Z

Sociological Studies

1 - 3 units; 1 hour Lecture

Recommended Preparation: Eligibility for ENGL 100 and READ 100.

Repeatability: May be taken 4 times.

Provides intensive study of a particular area of sociology and encourages development of a sociological perspective for thinking about social issues. Course content will vary with each offering.

Transfer Credit: Transfers to CSU. Transfers to UC with conditions: Students must retain a copy of the course outlines (Special Studies form,) the course syllabus and work completed for this course. Credit for this course is contingent upon a review of the course outline and other materials by the UC transfer campus.

SOC 47

Sociology of Crime and Deviance

3 units; 3 hours Lecture

Recommended Preparation: Eligibility for ENGL 100 and READ 100.

Examines the social context of crime and deviance. Topics may include theories of crime and deviance; the criminal justice system; white collar, organized, and street crime; race, ethnicity, sex, gender, and crime; and legal implications of crime and deviance. Socioeconomic and multicultural issues emphasized throughout the course.

Transfer Credit: Transfers to CSU. Transfers to UC.