

SOCIOLOGY (BA)

Program Mission

The mission of the Sociology Program is to provide students, within a community of faith and scholarship, with the theoretical and practical tools necessary to engage in and investigate the social world, to develop a working knowledge of sociological concepts, and to demonstrate the application of a sociological perspective to evaluate programs and resolve social problems.

Program Outcomes

1. Students will have familiarity with classical and contemporary sociological theory.
2. Students will possess the ability to use and interpret qualitative and quantitative data and conduct social scientific research.
3. Students will exhibit awareness of major social issues in modern life, and the ability to view these issues from a sociological perspective.
4. Students will learn about the institutional context surrounding the lived experiences of diverse populations included but not limited to how these experiences differ in contemporary societies by class, race, and gender.

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Core Requirements		
SOCI-1000	Introduction to Sociology	3
SOCI-3105	Sociological Theory	3
SOCI-3155	Research Design for Sociology & Crimin	3
SOCI-COMP	Senior Comprehensive Exam	0
MATH-1220	Introductory Statistics	4
Sociology Electives		
A total of 21 elective credit hours* are required, to be selected from the following courses:		21
SOCI-prefix courses outside of the core requirements, including pilot and test courses (i.e. SOCI-3770 and SOCI-4770) and:		
NASC-2300	World Regional Geography	
SOCI-2250	Social Problems	
SOCI-2350	Cultural Anthropology	
SOCI-3205	Marriage & the Family	
SOCI-3245	Sociology of Religion	
SOCI-3250	Race & Ethnicity	
SOCI-3270	Social Stratification	
SOCI-3305	Population & Society	
SOCI-4175	Seminar in Social Research I	
SOCI-4305	Urban Sociology	
SOCI-4790	Sociology Internship	
*Up to 9 elective credit hours may be taken from the following:		9
CRIM-3000	Criminal Law	
CRIM-3100	Theories of Crime & Deviance	
CRIM-3220	Religion & Crime	
CRIM-3300	Juvenile Delinquency	
CRIM-4200	Crime & Place	
EXSC-2209	Personal & Community Health	

MGMT-3500	Organizational Behavior & Theory
PHIL-3550	Political Philosophy
PHIL-4410	Social Ethics
PHIL-4550	Advanced Logic
PHIL-4860	Philosophy of Law
POLS-2750	Public Policy Analysis
POLS-4600	Public Administration
PSYC-4012	Introduction to Counseling Psychology
PSYC-4820	Social Psychology
THEO-3260	Catholic Social Teaching
	or ECON-3260 Catholic Social Teaching

Total Hours 43

Additional Requirements

1. No grade lower than C– in a Core Requirement course may be used toward the Sociology major.
2. Transfer students majoring in Sociology must take a minimum of 40% of the coursework required for the major at Benedictine College.

Suggested Sequence of Courses for a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Sociology

This eight-semester plan includes only the broad outlines within which programming can be arranged and adapted to the student's individualized needs and plans. It is expected that a major program will be planned by the student with his or her advisor and/or the department chair and that of the electives; several will be in the field of sociology.

Course	Title	Hours
Freshman Year		
First Semester		
ENGL-1010	English Composition	3
THEO-1100	Introduction to Theology	3
GNST-1000	BC Experience	1
SOCI-1000	Introduction to Sociology	3
Historical Inquiry Foundation		3
Skills and Perspectives or Electives		3
Hours		16
Second Semester		
PHIL-1750	Principles of Nature	3
Aesthetic Foundation		3
Understanding the Natural World Foundation		4
MATH-1220	Introductory Statistics	4
Exercise Science requirement		1-2
Hours		15-16
Sophomore Year		
First Semester		
Sociology Elective		3
Aesthetic Experience		3
Faith Foundation		3
Foreign Language		4
Skills and Perspectives or Electives		3
Hours		16

Second Semester

Elective	3
NASC-2300 World Regional Geography	3
Skills and Perspectives and/or	3-6
Historical Foundation	
Foreign Language	4
EXSC Fitness Course	1
Hours	14-17

Junior Year**First Semester**

Sociology Elective	3
Philosophical Inquiry Foundation	3
SOCI-3155 Research Design for Sociology & Crimin	3
Skills and Perspectives or Electives	6
Hours	15

Second Semester

SOCI-3105 Sociological Theory	3
Faith Foundation	3
Philosophical Inquiry Foundation	3
Sociology Elective	3
Elective or General Education	3
Hours	15

Senior Year**First Semester**

SOCI-COMP Senior Comprehensive Exam	0
Sociology Elective	6
Skills and Perspectives or Electives	9-12
Hours	15-18

Second Semester

Elective	3
Skills and Perspectives or Electives	9
Internship in Sociology or Elective	3
Second Course in Research Methods or Elective	3
Hours	18
Total Hours	124-131