

# SOCIOLOGY - BA

## Program Requirements

### First Year

Fall	Semester Credit Hours
ENGL 104 Composition and Rhetoric <sup>1</sup>	3
SOCI 205 Introduction to Sociology <sup>1</sup>	3
American history ( <a href="http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#american-history">http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#american-history</a> )	3
Foreign language <sup>2</sup>	4
Mathematics ( <a href="http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#mathematics">http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#mathematics</a> )	3
<b>Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>16</b>

### Spring

American history ( <a href="http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#american-history">http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#american-history</a> )	3
Foreign language <sup>2</sup>	4
Government/Political science ( <a href="http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#government-political-science">http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#government-political-science</a> )	3
Mathematics ( <a href="http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#mathematics">http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#mathematics</a> )	3
Sociology elective ( <a href="http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/soci/">http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/soci/</a> ) <sup>1</sup>	3
<b>Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>16</b>

### Second Year

Fall	Semester Credit Hours
SOCI 220 Methods of Social Research	3
Foreign language <sup>2</sup>	3
Government/Political science ( <a href="http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#government-political-science">http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#government-political-science</a> )	3
Literature directed elective ( <a href="http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/liberal-arts/">http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/liberal-arts/</a> )	3
Sociology elective ( <a href="http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/soci/">http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/soci/</a> ) <sup>1</sup>	3
<b>Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>15</b>

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SOCI 230 Classical Sociological Theory <sup>1</sup>	3
Select one of the following:	3
COMM 203 Public Speaking	
COMM 205 Communication for Technical Professions	
COMM 243 Argumentation and Debate	
ENGL 203 Writing about Literature	
ENGL 210 Technical and Business Writing	
Foreign language <sup>2</sup>	3

Life and physical sciences (<http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#life-physical-sciences>) 3

General elective <sup>3</sup> 3

**Semester Credit Hours** 15

### Third Year

Fall	Semester Credit Hours
SOCI 420 Advanced Methods of Social Research <sup>1</sup>	3
Language, philosophy and culture ( <a href="http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#language-philosophy-culture">http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#language-philosophy-culture</a> )	3
Social and behavioral sciences ( <a href="http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#social-behavioral-sciences">http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#social-behavioral-sciences</a> ) <sup>4</sup>	3
Literature directed elective ( <a href="http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/liberal-arts/">http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/liberal-arts/</a> )	3
General elective <sup>3</sup>	3
<b>Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>15</b>

### Spring

SOCI 430 Contemporary Sociological Theory <sup>1</sup>	3
Life and physical sciences ( <a href="http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#life-physical-sciences">http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#life-physical-sciences</a> )	3
Social and behavioral sciences ( <a href="http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#social-behavioral-sciences">http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#social-behavioral-sciences</a> ) <sup>4</sup>	3
Sociology elective ( <a href="http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/soci/">http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/soci/</a> ) <sup>1</sup>	3
General elective <sup>3</sup>	3
<b>Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>15</b>

### Fourth Year

Fall	Semester Credit Hours
Creative arts ( <a href="http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#creative-arts">http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#creative-arts</a> )	3
Life and physical sciences ( <a href="http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#life-physical-sciences">http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#life-physical-sciences</a> )	3
Sociology elective ( <a href="http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/soci/">http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/soci/</a> ) <sup>1</sup>	3
Sociology elective ( <a href="http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/soci/">http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/soci/</a> ) <sup>1</sup>	3
General elective <sup>3</sup>	3
<b>Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>15</b>

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Language, philosophy and culture or creative arts ( <a href="http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#language-philosophy-culture">http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#language-philosophy-culture</a> )	3
Sociology elective ( <a href="http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/soci/">http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/soci/</a> ) <sup>1</sup>	3
General elective <sup>3</sup>	3
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Semester Credit Hours	13
Total Semester Credit Hours	120

<sup>1</sup> A grade of C or better is required.

<sup>2</sup> Complete 14 hours of a foreign language (<http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/liberal-arts/>) through the intermediate level. If you choose to enroll in a language you have studied previously without receiving college credit, you must first take a placement test. See academic advisor.

<sup>3</sup> No more than 6 semester credit hours for SOCI 484 may be applied to the Bachelor of Arts degree in Sociology.

<sup>4</sup> SOCI courses do not count toward fulfilling this requirement.

Graduation requirements include 3 hours of International and Cultural Diversity (<http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/degree-information/international-cultural-diversity-requirements/>) courses and 3 hours of Cultural Discourse (<http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/degree-information/cultural-discourse-requirements/>) courses. A course satisfying a Core category, a college/department requirement, or a free elective can be used to satisfy this requirement. The required 6 hours may be met by courses satisfying other areas of a degree program. See your academic advisor for further information.

No more than 33 hours in sociology may be applied to the major.

Other courses may qualify. Consult the approved list of courses available in the Undergraduate Student Services Office in the College of Liberal Arts or from departmental advisors. No more than one course may be counted in more than one category.

Please note that university requirements specify that all students must take at least two courses in their major that are designated as fulfilling a writing requirement (W). See the section on general requirements for baccalaureate degrees for more information.

## Minor Field of Study

Sociology majors are not required to select a minor field of study. If chosen, the minor must consist of 15-18 hours, with no more than 9 hours taken at a 100- or 200-level. No more than six hours from the minor may be used to fulfill other requirements. A grade of C or higher is required if a course is to be counted in the minor field.

## Teacher Certification

### Non-Sociology Majors To Teach Sociology

Students desiring certification to teach sociology in Texas secondary schools must complete a social studies composite with a sociology emphasis and required education courses:

Code	Title	Semester Credit Hours
	Sociology ( <a href="http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/soci/">http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/soci/</a> )	33
	Political Science ( <a href="http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/pols/">http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/pols/</a> )	9
	Economics ( <a href="http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/econ/">http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/econ/</a> )	6
	Geography ( <a href="http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/geog/">http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/geog/</a> )	10

History ( <a href="http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/hist/">http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/hist/</a> )	18
Total Semester Credit Hours	76

## Sociology Majors To Teach Sociology

Sociology majors desiring certification must include the following among their sociology courses and required education courses:

Code	Title	Semester Credit Hours
Select one of the following:		3
SOCI 317/ AFST 317	Racial and Ethnic Relations	
SOCI 323/ AFST 323	Sociology of African Americans	
SOCI 403	Sociology of Latinos	
Select one of the following:		3
SOCI 316/ WGST 316	Sociology of Gender	
SOCI 424/ WGST 424	Women and Work in Society	
SOCI 411	Social Psychology	
Total Semester Credit Hours		6

### Education Courses

More complete information on requests for teacher certification may be found in the College of Education and Human Development section under secondary certification.

Code	Title	Semester Credit Hours
INST 210	Understanding Special Populations	3
COMM 203	Public Speaking	3
TEFB 322	Teaching and Schooling in Modern Society	3
TEFB 324	Teaching Skills II	3
TEFB 401	Language Arts in the Middle and Senior School	3
TEFB 404	Social Studies in the Middle and Senior High School	3
TEFB 406	Science in the Middle and Secondary School	3
TEFB 407	Mathematics in the Middle and Senior School	3
TEFB 426	Supervised Clinical Teaching	6
Total Semester Credit Hours		30

Students should consult an undergraduate Sociology advisor as early as possible to review the requirements of the social studies composite.