

PREREQUISITE COURSE

Sociology majors must take one introductory sociology course. First and second year students should enroll in either *SOC 100: Intro to Soc*, *SOC 102: Intro to Soc: Special Topics*, or *SOC 195: Honors Intro to Soc*. Third and fourth year students should enroll in either *SOC 300: Principles and Problems of Sociology* or *SOC 302: Health & Society- Intro to Soc*. The credits from the prerequisite course are not included in the 33 required credits. In order to declare, students must complete an introductory course with a C- or higher.

REQUIREMENTS

To complete a major in sociology, a student must take at least 33 credit hours of SOC coursework at the 200-level or above (excluding SOC 300 and SOC 302). These 33 credits consist of three required courses and electives. **Students must earn at least a C- in every course they intend to include in the major, including the prerequisite.**

REQUIRED COURSES

- ***SOC 210 or STATS 250 - Statistics***
Both fulfill the LSA Quantitative Reasoning (QR) requirement. SOC 210 and STATS 250 are typically offered each fall, winter, and at least one spring or summer semester. Speak with an advisor about using transfer credit to satisfy the statistics requirement.
- ***SOC 310- Introduction to Sociological Research Methods***
Fulfills the LSA Quantitative Reasoning (QR) requirement. Also fulfills the Upper Level Writing Requirement (ULWR) when elected in the fall or winter term. SOC 310 is offered each fall and winter and at least one spring or summer semester. Must be taken on the UM Ann Arbor campus.
- ***SOC 305 – Introduction to Sociological Theory***
Typically offered each fall and winter full term and at least one spring or summer semester. Must be taken on the UM Ann Arbor campus.

REMAINING CREDITS (ELECTIVES)

- The remaining credits are SOC courses at the 200-level and above.
- A minimum of 14 elective credits elected at the 300-level or above (excluding SOC 300 and SOC 302).
^ This 300-level requirement does not apply to students who declared the major Fall 2016 and prior ^

Students who wish to focus elective coursework on a particular area are encouraged to consult with the department advisor about an optional subplan in Law, Justice, and & Change or Sociology of Health & Medicine.

COURSE PLANNING

No particular order of coursework is required. The Department strongly recommends that majors take statistics in the sophomore year or early in the junior year and complete SOC 310 and SOC 305 in the junior year. Students should meet with a major advisor about plans for finishing requirements in an appropriate order and time frame.

POLICY GUIDELINES

Minimum Grades and GPA

Students must earn at least a C- in every course in order to be counted toward the major, including the prerequisite. Grades below a C- will still be included in the major GPA, but will not count toward the 33 credits required for the major. In order to graduate, Sociology majors must have a major GPA of at least a 2.0. The major GPA includes the prerequisite, all required, and all elective courses (including STATS 250, cross-listed courses, and any SOC courses taken at the Dearborn or Flint campuses).

Credit Requirements and Limitations

SOC 305 and SOC 310 must be taken in-residence on the UM: Ann Arbor campus. Only 15 of the 33 credit hours required for the sociology major can be transfer credit from other institutions.

A limit of 8 credits from courses earning experiential or independent study style credits (as determined by the College of LSA) may be counted toward the major. This includes but is not limited to SOC 225, 321, 324, 325, 391, 394, 395, 396, 468, and 488.

Only 4 credits from SOC 225: Project Community may be included in the major.

OPTIONAL SUBPLANS

Students have the option of adding a subplan to their Sociology major. Students may only declare *one* subplan (either LJSC or SHM).

LAW, JUSTICE, AND SOCIAL CHANGE (LJSC)

Students have the option of adding a subplan in Law, Justice, and Social Change to their Sociology major. Courses in the LJSC subplan seek to offer students a coherent curriculum that emphasizes the relationship between legal institutions, inequality, and the capacity of social groups to produce fundamental social change.

Requirements:

- You must declare the subplan and successfully complete a minimum of 12 credit hours from the list of approved courses.
 - A minimum of 8 credits must be elected in the LJSC subplan at the 300-level or above (excluding prerequisite)
***^ This 300-level requirement does not apply to students who declared the subplan Fall 2016 and prior ^**.*
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| - <u>SOC 204</u> : International Migration and the Politics of Membership in a Globalizing World | - <u>SOC 422</u> : Latin America |
| - <u>SOC 208</u> : Terrorism, Torture, & Violence | - <u>SOC 450</u> : Human Rights in a Globalizing World |
| - <u>SOC 225</u> : Project Community- Criminal Justice section | - <u>SOC 461</u> : Social Movements: Political Protest and Collective Resistance |
| - <u>SOC 270</u> : Gender and the Law | - <u>SOC 465</u> : Sociology of Deviance: From Sin to Sickness |
| - <u>SOC 304</u> : American Immigration | - <u>SOC 468</u> : Crime & Justice: Inside Out Prison Exchange |
| - <u>SOC 325</u> : Project Community Advanced Practicum (Criminal Justice section) | - <u>SOC 476</u> : Sociology of Bioethics |
| - <u>SOC 335</u> : Urban Inequality in America | - <u>SOC 488 (1cr) & 489 (3cr)</u> : Community Organizing and Social Change |
| - <u>SOC 350</u> : Human Rights and the United Nations | - appropriate topics in SOC 295, 394 (SURO), 395 (Independent Study), 396 (Internship), or 495 |
| - <u>SOC 354</u> : Law and Society | |
| - <u>SOC 368</u> : Criminology | |

A maximum of 6 credits for the LJSC subplan may come from Experiential Learning or Independent Study style courses. Students with a subplan in Law, Justice and Social Change are not permitted to also elect a minor in Law, Justice, and Social Change.

SOCIOLOGY OF HEALTH & MEDICINE (SHM)

Students have the option of adding a subplan in Sociology of Health & Medicine to their Sociology major. Courses in the SHM subplan offer students a coherent curriculum that emphasizes the socio-demographic, cultural, political, and ethical dimensions of health behavior and health policy.

Requirements:

- You must declare the subplan and successfully complete a minimum of 12 credit hours from the list of approved courses.
 - A minimum of 8 credits must be elected in the SHM subplan at the 300-level or above (excluding prerequisite).
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| - <u>SOC 207</u> : Sociology of Suffering | - <u>SOC 430</u> : World Population Dynamics |
| - <u>SOC 225</u> : Project Community-Public Health section | - <u>SOC 445</u> : Diagnosis, Sex, & Society |
| - <u>SOC 230</u> : Health & Population in South Africa | - <u>SOC 474</u> : Social Inequalities in Health |
| - <u>SOC 330</u> : Population Problems | - <u>SOC 475</u> : Health, Medicine, & Society |
| - <u>SOC 325</u> : Project Community Advanced Practicum (Public Health section) | - <u>SOC 476</u> : Sociology of Bioethics |
| - <u>SOC 345</u> : Sociology of Sexuality | - <u>SOC 477</u> : Death & Dying |
| - <u>SOC 346</u> : Sociology of the Body | - appropriate topics in SOC 295, 394 (SURO), 395 (Independent Study), 396 (Internship), or 495 |

A maximum of 6 credits for the SHM subplan may come from Experiential Learning or Independent Study style courses. Students with a subplan in Sociology of Health & Medicine are not permitted to also elect a minor in Sociology of Health & Medicine.