



SOCIOLOGY

Academics

Majoring in sociology will ignite your sociological imagination and equip you with tools to understand social issues. You will join a department with particularly strong programs in the study of marriage and the family, social deviance, social inequality (including race, gender, and class) and sociology of health and mental health.

Your core courses include an introduction to sociology and sociological research, theory and intensive writing, and community-based research. Beyond that, dive deep into areas that match your interests with a focus in:

- Crime / Deviance
- Family
- Health
- Social Inequality
- Social Research

Opportunities

With a major in sociology, you are prepared for leadership positions in government agencies, non-profit organizations, private enterprise or professional fields. You may choose to pursue social work or counseling; marketing, advertising or sales; criminal justice, probation, or corrections; data collection and analysis; program implementation and evaluation; human resources and personnel departments in business or government agencies; graduate work; or professional school in law, health care, counseling or business. Here are examples of recent graduates' employment:

- Assistant Program Coordinator for WH Thompson / *UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA-LINCOLN*
- Behavioral Youth Counselor / *YOUTH VILLAGES*
- Bilingual Case Manager / *FRIENDSHIP HOME*
- Children's Service Worker / *MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICE*
- Community Organizer / *NEBRASKA APPLESEED*
- Data Analyst / *STATE OF NEBRASKA*
- Director of Juvenile Justice Institute / *UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA-OMAHA*
- Disability Services Specialist / *DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES*
- Parent Educator / *LINCOLN PUBLIC SCHOOLS*
- Youth Specialist / *CEDARS YOUTH SERVICES*

Experience

In the College of Arts and Sciences, we know experience is valuable and goes beyond the classroom. We strive to help you connect your academics with research, internships, education abroad, service learning and leadership experiences. Take advantage of opportunities in sociology such as:

- Studying abroad in Australia, Greece or Morocco
- Serving as the Undergraduate Sociological Association president
- Interning with Cedars Youth Services
- Conducting research on peer pressure and conformity
- Volunteering for the ACLU of Nebraska



SOCI—SAMPLE 4-YEAR PLAN*

ACE = Achievement-Centered Education CDR = College Distribution Requirements

FIRST SEMESTER

SOCI 101: Introduction to Sociology or SOCI 180: Social Problems (ACE 6)	3
Written Texts / Research & Knowledge Skills (ACE 1)	3
Humanities (ACE 5)	3
CDR: Language	5
Total Hours	14

SECOND SEMESTER

Sociology Course (CDR: Social Science)	3
CDR: Written Communication	3
CDR: Language	5
Elective / Minor / Secondary Major / Science / Pre-Professional	3
Total Hours	14

THIRD SEMESTER

SOCI 205: Introduction to Social Research I	3
Communication Skills (ACE 2)	3
Scientific Methods & Knowledge of Natural / Physical World (ACE 4)	3
CDR: Language	3
Elective / Minor / Secondary Major / Science / Pre-Professional	3
Elective / Minor / Secondary Major / Science / Pre-Professional	1
Total Hours	16

FOURTH SEMESTER

SOCI 206: Introduction to Social Research II (ACE 3)	3
CDR: Humanities	3
CDR: Language	3
Sociology Course	3
Elective / Minor / Secondary Major / Science / Pre-Professional	3
Total Hours	15

FIFTH SEMESTER

SOCI 355: Sociological Theory	3
Sociology Course	3
CDR: Human Diversity in U.S. Communities	3
CDR: Natural, Physical, and Mathematical Sciences with Lab	4
Elective / Minor / Secondary Major / Science / Pre-Professional	3
Total Hours	16

SIXTH SEMESTER

Sociology 300- or 400-Level Course	3
Global Awareness & Human Diversity (ACE 9)	3
Elective / Minor / Secondary Major / Science / Pre-Professional	3
Elective / Minor / Secondary Major / Science / Pre-Professional	3
Elective / Minor / Secondary Major / Science / Pre-Professional	3
Total Hours	15

SEVENTH SEMESTER

Sociology 300-Level Course	3
Sociology 400-Level Course	3
Ethics / Civics / Stewardship (ACE 8)	3
Elective / Minor / Secondary Major / Science / Pre-Professional	3
Elective / Minor / Secondary Major / Science / Pre-Professional	3
Total Hours	15

EIGHTH SEMESTER

SOCI 489: Senior Seminar (ACE 10)	3
Fine Arts (ACE 7)	3
Elective / Minor / Secondary Major / Science / Pre-Professional	3
Elective / Minor / Secondary Major / Science / Pre-Professional	3
Elective / Minor / Secondary Major / Science / Pre-Professional	3
Total Hours	15

*DISCLAIMER: This document represents a sample 4-year plan for degree completion with a major of interest in the College of Arts and Sciences. Actual course selection and sequence may vary and should be discussed individually with an academic advisor at the college and department level.