

**The Ohio State University
College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences**

Rural Sociology Minor (RURLSOC-MN)

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The minor in Rural Sociology provides: (1) an understanding of sociological concepts important to the analysis of change in rural societies; (2) an understanding of major social structural and cultural changes to rural societies; (3) an understanding of the influence of social and cultural factors on rural and agricultural development, as well as the impact of development on rural groups, cultures, and communities; and (4) opportunities to apply sociological concepts to specific case studies related to rural and agricultural development, population, and natural/environmental issues.

The Rural Sociology minor serves students whose interests include the sociological dimensions of agriculture, rural population, rural development, and natural resources and the environment.

Students planning to do the Undergraduate Minor in Rural Sociology should take, as a prerequisite, RURLSOC 1500 Introduction to Rural Sociology or have taken an equivalent introductory sociology course (at Ohio State or another institution).

The Rural Sociology Minor consists of 12 semester units selected as follows:

Choose 2: Required Courses: 6 units
ENR 3500 (3)

RURLSOC 3580 (3), 5500 (3)

Choose 2: Additional Courses (6 units must not overlap with Required Courses). Note: A maximum of 3 hours of study abroad credit may be applied to the minor.

ENR 3500 (3), 5480 (3), 5797.01 **OR** 5797.02 (3), 5797.03 **OR** 5797.04 (3), 5797.05 (3), 5797.07 (3)

ENR/WGSST 3530 (3),

RURLSOC 3580 (3), 4500 (3), 5500 (3), 5520 (3), 5530 (3), 5540 (3), 5580 (3)

* Some courses may have prerequisites not reflected in the credit totals above.

At least six credits must be at the 3000 level or above.

Rural Sociology minor program guidelines

The following guidelines govern this minor:

Required for graduation No

Credit hours required A minimum of 12 credit hrs. 1000 level courses shall not be counted in the minor. At least 6 credits must be at the 3000 level or above.

Transfer and EM credit hours allowed A student is permitted to count up to 6 total hours of transfer credit and/or credit by examination.

Overlap with the GE A student is permitted to overlap up to 6 credit hours between the GE and the minor.

Overlap with the major and additional minor(s)

- The minor must be in a different subject than the major.
- The minor must contain a minimum of 12 hours distinct from the major and/or additional minor(s).

Grades required

- Minimum C- for a course to be listed on the minor.
- Minimum 2.00 cumulative point-hour ratio required for the minor.
- Course work graded Pass/Non-Pass cannot count ~~on~~ in the minor.
- No more than 3 credit hours of coursework graded Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory may count toward the minor.

X193 credits No more than 3 credit hours.

Minor approval Not required as long as students complete the courses as indicated on the minor program description.

Filing the minor program form The minor program form must be filed at least by the time the graduation application is submitted to a college/school counselor.

Changing the minor Once the minor program is filed in the college office, any changes must be approved by filing a petition for change in the minor through the academic unit offering the minor.

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