The Sociology minor is designed to provide undergraduate students with a focused sequence of coursework in sociology that builds knowledge of pressing social issues, applies research methods to elucidate real world problems, and utilizes sociological theory to comprehend contemporary society. The sociology minor provides students with a strong foundation for a wide variety of career settings including federal, state, and local government, law, public policy, social work, and business.

Overview
Students must complete Sociology 1101 (Introduction to Sociology) as a pre-requisite to the minor. They need to complete 2 required courses (6 hours) and 3 electives (9 hours) for a total of 15 hours of course work in Sociology. The required courses are: Sociology 3487 (Research Methods in Sociology) and Sociology 3488 (Introduction to Sociological Theory). Students that have taken a course that is equivalent to 3487 as part of their major may substitute another course from the list of Sociology electives. For more information please consult with a Sociology academic counselor.

Students majoring in Criminology and Criminal Justice Studies are required to consult with a Sociology academic counselor to develop a curriculum plan.

Sociology 3191 does not count towards the minor.

Required Pre-Requisite to the Minor
Sociology 1101 (C- or better required)

Required Courses (complete both)
Sociology 3487 (or approved substitution), Sociology 3488

Elective Courses (choose 3)
SOCIOL 2202, 2210, 2290, 2300, 2309, 2310, 2320, 2330, 2340, 2345, 2367.01H, 2367.02, 2367.03H, 2370, 2391, 3200, 3302, 3306, 3315, 3380, 3410, 3430, 3434, 3435, 3460, 2463/2463H, 3464, 3467, 3549, 3597.01, 3597.02, 3630
SOCIOL 4000S/E, 4505, 4506, 4508, 4509, 4511, 4591S, 4606, 4607, 4608, 4609, 4610, 4635, 4650, 4655, 4666, 4998, 5450, 5503, 5605, 5629, 5680

Course
1101 (pre-req)
3487
3488

Semester

Grade

The following guidelines govern this minor.

Required for graduation   No

Credit hours required    15 hours (3 hrs of pre-req also required), 1000 level courses shall not be counted in the minor. At least 6 credit hrs 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 toward the minor

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

Overlap with the major and additional minors

- The minor must be in a different subject from the major (as identified by the registrar’s official listing of approved majors)
- Each minor completed must contain a minimum of 12 hours distinct from the major and/or additional minors (i.e., if a minor requires more than 12 credit hours, a student is permitted to overlap those hours beyond 12 with the major or with another minor)

Grades required

- Minimum C- for a course to be listed on the minor
- Minimum 2.00 cumulative GPA for all minor course work
- Course work graded Pass/Non-Pass cannot count on the minor
- No more than 3 credit hours of course work graded Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory may count toward the minor

X193: No more than 3 credit hours.

Minor approval  The minor may be approved by the student's College/School Advising Office via the Degree Audit Report (DAR). If the minor is not complete on the DAR, the student must consult with a Dept. of Sociology advisor.

Filing the minor program form  A minor program form is not required. The DAR certifies the minor. The minor must be declared at least by the time the graduation application is submitted to the student’s College/School Advising Office.

Changing the minor  Once the minor is certified as a part of applying for graduation, any changes must be approved by an advisor in the Dept. of Sociology.

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