

# B.S. SOCIOLOGY

## OVERVIEW

Sociology is the study of society and social institutions using a distinctive perspective, called the sociological imagination, which can transcend surface appearances to illuminate the complex social reality underneath. As part of the sociology program, students will develop their sociological imaginations in order to understand how broader social forces can constrain or enhance our lives.

Sociology students graduate with the ability to understand our complex social world, along with the individuals and organizations within. They excel in critical thinking, value cross-cultural perspectives, and have a practical understanding of today's social issues. Sociology students explore many contemporary topics, including:

- work and the economy
- the intersections of society and personal identity
- people's experiences of marginalization and deviance
- problems of social inequality
- the processes of social mobilization and how societies change.

## Program Level Student Learning Outcomes

The student will be able to:

- Demonstrate skills and techniques in conducting social science research.
- Define and apply sociological theory.
- Identify social inequalities in terms of race, ethnicity, class, gender, and sexuality.
- Demonstrate discipline-appropriate writing ability.

## Bachelor of Science - Sociology Program Requirements

Refer to the General Education Core Requirements (<https://catalog.tamuct.edu/undergraduate-information/general-education-core-requirements/>) page for more information on the CORE REQ coursework. The Field of Study (FOS) courses are listed in the footnotes (if applicable). At least 120 credit hours are required for the degree.

Code	Title	Credit Hours
<b>First Year</b>		
Fall		
CORE REQ Communications (010)		3
CORE REQ Mathematics (020)		3
CORE REQ Life and Physical Sciences (030)		3
CORE REQ Creative Arts (050)		3
Any Level Elective <sup>1</sup>		3
Spring		
CORE REQ Language, Philosophy, and Culture (040)		3
CORE REQ Life and Physical Sciences (030)		3
CORE REQ Social and Behavioral Sciences (080)		3
Any Level Elective <sup>1</sup>		3
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<b>Second Year</b>		
Fall		
CORE REQ Communications (010)		3

CORE REQ American History (060)		3
CORE REQ Government/Political Science (070)		3
CORE REQ Component Area Option (090)		3
Any Level Elective <sup>1</sup>		3
Spring		
CORE REQ American History (060)		3
CORE REQ Government/Political Science (070)		3
CORE REQ Component Area Option (090)		3
Any Level Minor Elective <sup>2</sup>		3
Any Level Elective <sup>1</sup>		3
<b>Third Year</b>		
Fall		
ANTH 3300	Cultural Anthropology	3
or ANTH 2351	Cultural Anthropology	
SOSC 3300	Social Science Proseminar	3
SOCI 3303	Race and Ethnicity	3
SOCI 3315	Methods of Sociological Research	3
Any Level Minor Elective <sup>2</sup>		3
Spring		
SOCI 4305	Sociological Theory	3
Upper-Level Elective		3
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<b>Fourth Year</b>		
Fall		
SOCI 4317	Qualitative Research Methods	3
SOCI 4315	Social Science Statistics	3
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SOCI 4310	Sociology of the Body	3
or SOCI 4311	Sociology of Sexuality	
or SOCI 4312	Gender and Society	
Any Level Minor Elective <sup>2</sup>		3
Upper-Level Minor Elective <sup>2</sup>		3
Spring		
SOCI 4303	Social Inequalities	3
Upper-Level SOCI Elective		3
Upper-Level SOCI Elective		3
Any Level Minor Elective <sup>2</sup>		3
Upper-Level Minor Elective <sup>2</sup>		3
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>120</b>

<sup>1</sup> Lower Level Electives, Any Level Electives, Component Area Options, or Degree Requirements (DEG REQ) may consist of the FOS courses: SOCI 1301, SOCI 1306, SOCI 2301, SOCI 2319.

<sup>2</sup> Refer to the listings of Minor (<https://catalog.tamuct.edu/undergraduate-programs/minors/>) to choose the minor and the respective requirements for this degree.