
The degree in sociology will prepare students for civic and professional participation in an increasingly global society. The students will learn the skills to critically analyze the world; address social, ecological and other problems; and obtain employment opportunities that emphasize critical thinking, research and data analysis.

A – GENERAL EDUCATION CORE – 42 HOURS

Students must fulfill the General Education Core requirements.

B – MAJOR REQUIREMENTS – 36 HOURS (27 advanced)

1 – Sociology Foundation – 15 hours (12 advanced)

SOCI 1301 Introduction to Sociology
SOCI 3301 Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences
SOCI 4301 Research Methods
SOCI 4333 Social Theory for Sociology Students

Choose one:

SOCI 4352 Social Stratification
SOCI 4310 Sociology of Gender
SOCI 4313 Race and Ethnic Relations

2 – Sociology Electives – 21 hours (15 advanced)

Choose from:

SOCI 1323 Social Problems
SOCI 3312 Environmental Sociology
SOCI 3313 Criminology
SOCI 3324 Sociology of Health
SOCI 3325 Social Psychology
SOCI 3333 Urban Sociology
SOCI 3344 World Religion in a Comparative Perspective
SOCI 3345 Sociology of Mass Communication
SOCI 3346 Hispanics in Global Society
SOCI 3347 Sociology of Immigration
SOCI 3348 Disaster and Society
SOCI 3363 Sociology of Religion
SOCI 3380 Religion, Race, and Ethnicity
SOCI 3393 Sociology of Aging
SOCI 4310 Sociology of Gender
SOCI 4313 Race and Ethnic Relations
SOCI 4314 Sociology of Deviance
SOCI 4320 The Sociology of the Family
SOCI 4323 The Mexican American Experience
SOCI 4325 Sociology of Culture
SOCI 4326 Population and Society
SOCI 4331 Social Theory for Non-Majors
SOCI 4352 Social Stratification
SOCI 4360 Sociology of Education
SOCI 4373 Latin American Society
SOCI 4380 Social Protest and Social Movements
SOCI 4385 Special Topics in Sociology
SOCI 4383 Independent Studies

C – FREE ELECTIVES – 42 HOURS (15 advanced)

Credit hours can be used to attain minor and/or second major in a different discipline. After earning enough credit hours for a minor and/or second major in a different discipline, students may choose Sociology courses, or a second minor, or use as advanced electives in other disciplines.

TOTAL CREDIT HOURS FOR GRADUATION – 120 HOURS

TOTAL ADVANCED HOURS – 42 HOURS

ADMISSION, PROGRESSION, AND GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS, if applicable:

Graduation requirements

In addition to the graduation requirements listed in the UTRGV 2018-2019 Undergraduate Catalog, demonstration of proficiency in a language other than English is required at the undergraduate level equivalent to a minimum of six credit hours. Proficiency can be demonstrated by a college credit exam, a placement test approved through the UTRGV Department of Writing and Language Studies, and/or up to six credit hours of college-level language coursework.