

Degree Type – Bachelor of Arts (BA)
Degree Title – Sociology

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.

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES:

1. **Students will be able to substantively discuss the core theoretical perspectives of the field.**
2. **Students will be able to substantively discuss core methodological approaches of the field.**
3. **Students will be able to carry out a research project integrating sociological theory and methodology.**

A – GENERAL EDUCATION CORE – 42 HOURS

Students must fulfill the General Education Core requirements.

B – MAJOR REQUIREMENTS – 36 HOURS (27 advanced)

1 – Sociology Foundation – 21 hours (15 advanced)

SOCI 1301 Introduction to Sociology
 SOCI 2305 Introduction to Social Research
 SOCI 3301 Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences
 SOCI 4301 Research Methods
 SOCI 4333 Social Theory for Sociology Students
 SOCI 4391 Senior Seminar in Research (Capstone)

Choose one:

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

2 – Sociology Electives – 15 hours (12 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 4331 Social Theory for Non-Majors
SOCI 4326 Population and Society
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 2015-2017 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.