Sociology Majors
Concentrations*

In addition to the general major in Sociology, students may focus on one of the following four topics. These Areas of Concentration are indicated on students’ transcripts. Students should indicate their concentration on their major declaration form. Concentration—(12 hours)

**Law, Crime, and Deviance (LCD)**
The concentration in *Law, Crime, and Deviance* allows students to develop their sociological expertise on the making, breaking, and enforcement of social norms—from explicit laws and policies to informal rules and guidelines. Students considering careers in law, forensic science, and related fields may be interested in this concentration.

- SOC 2480: Drugs and Society
- SOC 2XXX: Sociology of Fear (new course)
- SOC 2930: Violence in America
- SOC 3330: Corporate and Elite Deviance
- SOC 3580: Sociology of Deviant Behavior
- SOC 3590: Law and Society
- SOC 4680: Forensic GIS
- SOC 4930: Health, Law and Professional Power (new class)

**Gender Studies (GS)**
The *Gender Studies* concentration examines how social forces cause masculine and feminine behavior, create gendered systems of privilege, and influence the lives of individuals and groups. Students will find this concentration useful for understanding their own experiences and dealing with others in occupations such as health care, education, business, law, social services, government, and the arts.

- SOC 2110: Sociology of Sports
- SOC 2930: The Body: Social Science Perspectives
- SOC 3230: Gender and Society
- SOC 3240: Anthropology of Sex and Gender
- SOC 3430: Marriage and the Family
- SOC 3510: Structure of Poverty, Globally and Locally
- SOC 3950: Human Sexuality in the Black Community
- SOC 4050: Feminist Movements
Health and Medicine (HM)

The concentration in Health and Medicine focuses on the interplay of various social factors that influence health and illness, both locally and globally, and the role that these factors play in today’s society. Courses offered span several topics such as mental health, culture, anthropology, environment, drugs and demography. Students preparing for any health-related field will find this area of concentration relevant.

SOC 1120: Introduction to Sociology: Diversity and Health
SOC 2210: Biological Anthropology
SOC 2460: Global Mental Health
SOC 2490: Sociology of Medicine
SOC 2480: Drugs and Society
SOC 2930: Culture and Health
SOC 2930: Health and Environment
SOC 3270: Environmental Anthropology
SOC 3490: Sociology of Mental Health
SOC 4640: Demography: Population Characteristics & Trends
SOC 4930: Health, Law and Professional Power (new class)

Immigration, Community, and Urbanization (ICU)

The Immigration, Community and Urbanization concentration explores the dimensions of urban and community change and social justice. Courses engage urban life from a diverse set of perspectives including urban ecology, demography, and immigration. This concentration will provide opportunities for students interested in careers in consulting, government, human services, social welfare, and geoinformatics and spatial analytics.

SOC 1180: World Geography
SOC 1190: Cultural Geography
SOC 1500: The Urban Community
SOC 2500: Social Ecology
SOC 3180: Immigration
SOC 3220: Urban Sociology
SOC 4200: Urban Ecology: Neighborhoods
SOC 4250: Sociology of Urbanization
SOC 4540: Environmental Impact of the City
SOC 4640: Demography: Population Characteristics & Trends
SOC 4650: Introduction to GIS
SOC 4660: Intermediate GIS
SOC 4670: Spatial Demography
SOC 4680: Forensic GIS
SOC 4700: Applied Spatial Analysis

*Many courses are offered bi-annually rather than annually, so careful planning may be required.