Sociology and Criminal Justice

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The Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice offers a variety of courses that are directed toward understanding the patterns and processes of social life. We focus on perspectives that illuminate and involve students in issues of social justice. As we are living in an increasingly diverse and globalized world, cross-cultural approaches are emphasized. The department offers a number of options for undergraduates. It offers Bachelor of Arts (BA) degrees and minors in Sociology, Criminal Justice, and Anthropology. In addition, it offers interdisciplinary minors in Forensic Science and Geographic Information Systems (GIS). Finally, double majors are offered in Sociology and International Studies, Anthropology and International Studies as well as Criminal Justice and International Studies.

Sociology (B.A.)

A total of 36 hours are required for the major degree in Sociology. The student must also complete the core curriculum requirements of the College of Arts and Sciences. Any of the approved minors offered by the College of Arts and Sciences can be completed to reach the total of 120 hours required for graduation.

All courses are 3 credit hours unless otherwise specified

Required Courses - 24 hours
SOC 110 Introduction to Sociology,
   Or
SOC 111 Introduction to Sociology: Diversity
SOC 200 Research Methods
SOC 210 Classical Social Theory
SOC 301 Quantitative Research Methods
   Or
SOC 302 Qualitative Research Methods
SOC 310 Contemporary Sociological Theory

Stratification* – 3 Hours
SOC 318 Immigration
SOC 323 Gender and Society
SOC 336 Racial and Ethnic Relations
SOC 350 Social Inequality
SOC 351 The Structure of Poverty
SOC 408 Urban Issues: Poverty & Unemployment

Social Institutions* – 3 Hours
SOC 333 Corporate and White Collar Crime
SOC 338 Political Sociology
SOC 342 Organizations: Theory and Practice
SOC 343 Marriage and the Family
SOC 349 Sociology of Medicine
SOC 359 Law and Society
SOC 463 Sociology of Religion

Synthesis – 3 Hours
SOC 494 Sociology Capstone

Electives** – 12 Hours
SOC 118 World Geography
SOC 120 Introduction to Anthropology
SOC 150 The Urban Community
SOC 211 Sociology of Sports
SOC 220 Cultural Anthropology
SOC 221 Biological Anthropology
SOC 222 Peace and Conflict Studies
SOC 223 Cross Cultural Perspectives on Human Sexuality
SOC 230 American Pop Culture
SOC 250 Current Social Problems
SOC 321 Demography: Characteristics and Trends
SOC 322 Urban Sociology
SOC 327 Environmental Anthropology
SOC 330 Social Psychology
SOC 335 Social Movements
SOC 480 Research Activity
SOC 393 Special Topics in Sociology
SOC 394 African American Religious Traditions
SOC 400 Sociology Practicum
SOC 405 Feminist Movements
SOC 420 Urban Ecology
SOC 464 Demography

All courses are 3 credit hours unless otherwise specified
SOC 498 Independent Study

Other courses may qualify as electives, please speak with your mentor.
* After taking one course to meet this requirement, students may take additional courses from this list as electives.
** With the written approval of the student’s mentor and the department chair, other courses may count as department as electives.

Criminal Justice (B.A.)

Required Courses -- 30 Hours
SOC 115 Introduction to Criminal Justice, or
SOC 116 Introduction to Criminal Justice: Service Learning
SOC 200 Research Methods
SOC 215 Classical Theories of Crime
SOC 232 Law Enforcement
SOC 233 Introduction to Corrections
SOC 301 Quantitative Research Methods
SOC 302 Qualitative Research Methods
SOC 390 Contemporary Theories of Crime
SOC 400 Criminal Justice Practicum
SOC 439 Criminal Law and Procedure
SOC 496 Criminal Justice Capstone

Electives* -- 6 Hours
SOC 260 Introduction to Forensic Sciences
SOC 261 Forensic Biology (4 cr.)
SOC 262 Chemical Analysis of Crime (4 cr.)
SOC 301 Quantitative Research Methods**
SOC 302 Qualitative Research Methods**
SOC 330 Social Psychology
SOC 355 Juvenile Delinquency
SOC 358 Sociology of Deviant Behavior
SOC 359 Law and Society
SOC 380 Juvenile Justice
SOC 446 Criminal Investigations
SOC 462 Probation, Parole, and Community Corrections
SOC 498 Independent Study

All courses are 3 credit hours unless otherwise specified

Anthropology (B.A.)

Required Courses -- 22 Hours
SOC 120 Introduction to Anthropology
SOC 200 Research Methods
SOC 220 Cultural Anthropology
SOC 221 Biological Anthropology + Lab (4 cr.)
SOC 224 Introduction to Archaeology
SOC 320 Contemporary Anthropological Theory
SOC 497 Senior Project/Capstone in Anthropology

Electives* -- 15 Hours*
SOC 230 American Pop Culture
SOC 260 Introduction to Forensic Science
SOC 301 Quantitative Research Methods
SOC 302 Qualitative Analysis
SOC 323 Gender and Society
SOC 324 Anthropology of Sex and Gender
SOC 326 Peace and Conflict
SOC 327 Environmental Anthropology
SOC 328 Forensic Anthropology
SOC 329 Native Peoples of North America
SOC 336 Racial and Ethnic Relations
SOC 343 Marriage and the Family
SOC 350 Social Inequality
SOC 393 Special Topics
SOC 424 Primate Social Behavior
SOC 453 Urban Ethnography
SOC 454 Environmental Impact of the City
SOC 480 Research Activity
SOC 493 Special Topics
SOC 498 Advanced Independent Study
  Requires permission of the instructor & Chair

Total: 37 Hours

*At least 12 credits must be taken at the 300 or 400 level.

Students should plan their coursework sequentially.
SOC 120 is a prerequisite for SOC 220, SOC 221 and SOC 224 and should be taken before other courses for the degree.

Mentors, as well as the department chair, reserve the right to alter any of the above in consultation with each other for the benefit of the Anthropology major or particular needs of the degree candidates. No more than one elective may double-count for another, separate major or minor within the department

Students are advised to take SOC 215 prior to SOC 390.
Sociology Minor

For a student to receive a Minor in Sociology the following requirements must be met.

Required Courses: 9 Hours
SOC 110 Introduction to Sociology
SOC 200 Research Methodology
SOC 310 Contemporary Sociological Theory

Electives – 12 Hours
See courses listed for Sociology Major

Total: 21 Hours

Criminal Justice Minor

For a student to receive a Minor in Criminal Justice the following courses need to be completed.

Required Courses: 15 Hours
SOC 115 Introduction to Criminal Justice
SOC 116 Introduction to Criminal Justice: Service Learning
SOC 200 Research Methods
SOC 232 Law Enforcement
SOC 233 Introduction to Corrections
SOC 390 Contemporary Theories of Crime

Electives – 6 Hours
See Upper Division courses listed for Sociology Major

Total: 21 Hours

Anthropology Minor

The minor in Anthropology requires completion of the following requirements.

Required Courses – 13 Hours
SOC 120 Introduction to Anthropology
SOC 220 Cultural Anthropology
SOC 221 Biological Anthropology (4 cr.)
SOC 320 Contemporary Anthropological Theory

Electives – 9 Hours
See courses listed for Anthropology Major

Total: 22 Hours

Forensic Science Minor

The department of Sociology and Criminal Justice offers a certificate in Forensic Science. The certificate is available to any major, and is designed to prepare students to work in either criminal investigations or a criminal laboratory. The certificate requires between 21 and 29 hours of coursework (depending on the student’s major), which includes 6 hours of practicum placement in a work environment.

Required Courses:

For Science Majors – 21 Hours
SOC 190 Introduction to Criminal Justice
SOC 232 Law Enforcement
SOC 260 Introduction to Forensic Sciences
SOC 400 Field Work Practicum*
SOC 439 Criminal Law and Procedure
SOC 446 Criminal Investigations

For Criminal Justice Majors- 23 Hours
SOC 260 Introduction to Forensic Sciences**
SOC 261 Forensic Biology (4 cr.)
SOC 262 Chemical Analysis of Crime (4 cr.)
SOC 400 Field Work Practicum*
SOC 439 Criminal Law and Procedure
SOC 446 Criminal Investigations

For All Other Majors – 29 Hours
SOC 190 Introduction to Criminal Justice
SOC 232 Law Enforcement
SOC 260 Introduction to Forensic Sciences**
SOC 261 Forensic Biology (4 cr.)
SOC 262 Chemical Analysis of Crime (4 cr.)
SOC 400 Field Work Practicum*
SOC 439 Criminal Law and Procedure
SOC 446 Criminal Investigations

* Field Work Practicum is taken twice within each of the major dependent Requirement lists.
** SOC 260 is a prerequisite for SOC 261 and 262
Minor in Advanced Remote Sensing and Geographic Information Systems (GIS)

The minor in Geographic Information Systems requires completion of the following requirements.

**Core Courses – 9 Hours**
SOC 465  Introduction to Geographic Information Systems (GIS)
SOC 466  Intermediate GIS
SOC 493  Special Topics: Practices and Applications

**Specialized Courses – 6 Hours**
SOC 464  Demography
SOC 467  Spatial Demography

Total: 15 Hours

**For all Majors and Minors**

A student may double count only those courses that are required for both (2 or more) of the degree programs (including majors and minors) that the pursue within our department (Sociology, Criminal Justice, Anthropology, GIS and Forensic Science)

**Grade Requirements**
- We recommend students achieve a “C-“ or better in all required courses for the major or minor.
- Students must maintain an average GPA of 2.0 or higher in the courses taken to satisfy their major or minor.
- Students must maintain an overall GPA of 2.0 or higher at SLU.

*All courses are 3 credit hours unless otherwise specified*