

Department of Sociology and Anthropology

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The curricula of the Department of Sociology and Anthropology are designed to serve the General Education needs of all students, to offer training for careers in applied fields, and to prepare students for graduate study in sociology, anthropology, and the applied social sciences.

Occupational fields include archaeology, corrections, social research, teaching, personnel, industrial relations, journalism, applied sociology or anthropology, religion, gerontology, foreign service, and social and cultural research. Every attempt is made to assist the student in working toward specific career goals.

The department offers programs leading to a Bachelor of Science degree with majors in Anthropology or Sociology and a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology with concentrations in Sociology or Anthropology. Minors in Sociology, Anthropology, Criminology, and Family Studies are available. Interdisciplinary minors in Archaeology, Asian Studies, and Native American Studies are coordinated by the department.

Curricular listings include General Education requirements in Communication, History, Humanities and/or Fine Arts, Mathematics, Natural Sciences, and Social/Behavioral Sciences categories as outlined on pages 60–63.

Major in Sociology

To meet the requirements for the B.A. or B.S. degree, a student majoring in Sociology must take a minimum of 36 semester hours in sociology including SOC 1010, 3040, 3050, 3060, 3950, and 4980. Students working toward the B.S. degree are required to complete two minors, one of which may be within the department. The faculty advisor should be consulted for the specific requirements of each emphasis program. Persons pursuing the B.A. degree should consult page 56 of this catalog for the requirements.

In order to graduate, all students must complete, with the approval of their advisors, the General Education requirements.

Recommended Curriculum

FRESHMAN

ENGL 1010, 1020 (Comm) 6
SOC 1010* (Soc/Beh Sci) 3
Mathematics 3
Natural Sciences (2 prefixes) 8
SOC electives 6
Elective 3

SOPHOMORE

ENGL 2020 or 2030 or
HUM 2610 (Hum/FA) 3
Humanities and/or Fine Arts
(2 prefixes) 6
HIST 2010, 2020, or 2030 6
COMM 2200 (Comm) 3
Social/Behavioral Sciences 3
SOC 3040*, 3050* 6
SOC elective 3
30

JUNIOR

SOC 3060*, 3950* 6
SOC electives 6
Minor 18-21

SENIOR

SOC 4980* 3
SOC elective 3
Minor courses 18-21
Electives 4-7
28-33

**Required courses*

Minor in Sociology

The minor in Sociology requires 18 semester hours of sociology including SOC 1010. Students choosing a minor are encouraged to select a sequence of courses that enhances a career path. A student majoring in the department can select one minor from within the department.

Minor in Criminology

The Criminology minor provides students with an understanding of the social and psychological aspects of crime, including an in-depth examination of the typologies and classifications of crime; national and international crime patterns; various classical and contemporary theories of crime; causal and associated factors such as gender, race, class, and age; an understanding of victims; and preventative strategies. The minor requires 18 semester hours, including 6 hours of required courses and 12 hours of electives.

Required Courses:

SOC 4300 Criminology
SOC 4540 Juvenile Delinquency

General Electives:

ANTH 3650 Forensic Anthropology
ANTH 3710 Topics in Anthropology (with approval of advisor)
CJA 3700 Women, Crime, and Justice Administration
CJA 3900 Organized and White Collar Crime
PSY 4120 Psychology of Criminal Behavior
PSY 4220 Correctional Psychology
SOC 3210 Drugs and Alcohol
SOC 3250 Deviant Behavior
SOC 4140 Violence in the Family
SOC 4150 Topics in Sociology (with prior approval of advisor)
SOC 4160 Sociology of Gangs
SOC 4900 Sociology Internship (highly recommended for applied direction)

Minor in Family Studies

The minor in Family Studies requires 18 semester hours including SOC 3150 and 4050. The student must select the remaining 12 hours from the following electives: SOC 2500, 3400, 4140, and 4500; S W 4620; and CDFS 4390.

Major in Anthropology

Two options are available for students interested in pursuing studies in Anthropology: 1) a Bachelor of Science in Anthropology; or 2) a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology with a concentration in Anthropology.

1. The major in Anthropology leading to a B.S. requires a minimum of 36 semester hours in the department. Required hours include ANTH 3010, 3210, 3310, 3410, and 4890 plus 21 hours of additional anthropology courses to be chosen in consultation with the advisor.
2. The B.A. in Sociology with a concentration in Anthropology is for students with interests in anthropology pursuing a second major where only the Bachelor of Arts degree is available. Required are 36 semester hours of anthropology including ANTH 3010, 3210, 3310, 3410, and 4890 plus 21 hours of additional anthropology courses to be chosen in consultation with the advisor.

Recommended Curriculum

FRESHMAN		SOPHOMORE	
ENGL 1010, 1020 (Comm)	6	ENGL 2020 or 2030 or	
ANTH 2010 (Soc/Beh Sci)	3	HUM 2610 (Hum/FA)	3
Mathematics	3	Humanities and/or Fine Arts	
Natural Sciences (2 prefixes)	8	(2 prefixes)	6
ANTH electives	6	HIST 2010, 2020, or 2030	6
Elective	3	COMM 2200 (Comm)	3
	29	ANTH 3010*, 3210*	6
		Social/Behavioral Sciences	3
		ANTH elective	3
			30
JUNIOR		SENIOR	
ANTH 3310*, 3410*	6	ANTH 4890*	3
ANTH electives	6	ANTH elective	3
Minor	18-21	Minor	18-21
	30-33	Electives	7
			31-33

*Required courses

Minor in Anthropology

The minor in Anthropology requires 18 semester hours of anthropology including ANTH 2010 and 2210.

Interdisciplinary Minors

Interdisciplinary minors are open to all students in the University. The Department of Sociology and Anthropology coordinates the interdisciplinary minors in Archaeology, Asian Studies, and Native American Studies. See Interdisciplinary Minors beginning on page 76.

Courses in Sociology [SOC]

1010 Introductory Sociology. Three credits. **Counts toward General Education Social/Behavioral Sciences requirement.** Covers the central concepts, theories, and methods of sociology. Focuses on social processes and institutions in modern societies. Assists students in understanding and applying this knowledge in their everyday lives.

2010 Social Problems. Three credits. A survey of issues defined as problems by society; examines programs and agencies that address them. Problems addressed include poverty, crime, environment, energy, health, etc.

2105 Introduction to Latin American Studies. Three credits. (Same as SPAN 2105, P S 2105, ART 2105, ANTH 2105, GEOG 2105.) A multidisciplinary, team-taught introduction to Latin America. Covers the cultures and societies of the region: pre-history, history, geography, politics, art, languages, and literatures. Required course for all Latin American Studies minors.

2500 Marriage and Family. Three credits. Social, cultural, and personal factors relating to mate selection, intimate relationships, and family life with an emphasis on families in the United States.

2600 Introduction to Aging Studies. Three credits. (Same as A S 2600.) Basic concepts, overview of the field, illustrations of problems, and applications for an aging America.

2930, 2940, 3970, 3980 Cooperative Education. Three credits each. Each course may be taken for one, two, or three credits after consultation with instructor. Courses must be taken in sequence.

3040 Research Methods. Three credits. (Same as ANTH 3040.) Issues and strategies used by sociologists in their scientific studies and in their applied work in society.

3050 Data Analysis. Three credits. (Same as ANTH 3050.) Analysis, interpretation, and reporting of social science data. Incorporates the use of a statistical package such as SPSS or SAS. Offers fundamental applied research skills for the job market.

3060 Sociological Theory. Three credits. Theoretical foundations of sociology with emphasis on the major theories in sociology and their development. Addresses diverse intellectual traditions in both classical and contemporary theory.

3150 Life Cycle and the Social Environment. Three credits. Prerequisites: PSY 1410 or SOC 1010 or 2010 or BIOL 1010. Overview of life course structure and processes examining physical, cognitive, social, and personality development including the rule of institutions.

3210 Drugs and Alcohol. Three credits. Prerequisite: SOC 1010, 2010, or permission of instructor. Sociological, historical, political-economic, and cultural dimensions of drugs and alcohol in society.

3250 Deviant Behavior. Three credits. A general survey and theoretical review of the definitions, causes, and consequences of deviance and social control. Analyzes drugs, panics, sex, media violence, and emotions in society.

3320 Public Opinion and Propaganda. Three credits. Nature of public opinion and its role in the political and social process; myths, symbols, and other instruments and techniques of propaganda in opinion formation.

3400 Gender and Society. Three credits. Prerequisite: SOC 1010 or 2010. A sociohistorical and cultural exploration of the socialization patterns, relationships, expectations, influences, organizational, institutional, and aging experiences of women and men in American society.

3950 Social Organizations and Institutions. Three credits. Prerequisite: SOC 1010 or 2010. Theory, analysis, and public policy applications for contemporary organizations (corporations and social agencies) and institutions (family, education, health, media.)

- 4010 Social Inequality.** Three credits. The origins, variations, and consequences of class, status, and power in society. Individual and group economic interests, social prestige, ideology, market and institutional inequality.
- 4020 Sociology of Aging.** Three credits. Demographic, social, and cultural aspects of aging with particular emphasis on the types of problems encountered by older persons in American society.
- 4030 Topics in Aging Studies.** Three credits. (Same as A S 4030.) An opportunity to integrate gerontological theory and research techniques with the practical problems of older persons.
- 4040 Health Care Delivery Issues.** Three credits. An assessment of critical issues with special emphasis on policies, procedures, and intervention strategies in long-term care settings.
- 4050 Sociology of Families.** Three credits. Analysis of the family as a social institution with an emphasis on contemporary trends and diversity.
- 4090 Health Care Management.** Three credits. Details of the technical aspects of health care management with an emphasis on long-term care settings.
- 4100 Sociology of Work.** Three credits. Comparative analysis of work structure and processes in organizational contexts, including study of management and employee organizations and legal environments regarding workplace relations.
- 4140 Violence in the Family.** Three credits. (Same as CDFS 4140.) The causes, dynamics, and consequences of violence in the family. Includes a discussion of violence toward children, spouses, dating partners, siblings, and elders. Emphasizes the social conditions that lead to these types of violence.
- 4150 Topics in Sociology.** Three credits each. An in-depth study of a special topic which is significant in current sociological literature.
- 4160 Sociology of Gangs.** Three credits. Prerequisite: SOC 1010. History of gangs in the United States, the factors that account for their formation and perpetuation, and current empirical data on gang composition, demographics, and culture. Policy strategies for prevention, law enforcement, and nonlegal intervention assessed.
- 4170 The Social Context of Southern Music.** Three credits. A socio-historical analysis of Southern music providing a framework for examining the relationship between culture and popular culture, the production of popular culture, and popular culture as a vehicle for examining social issues of the Southern region.
- 4200 African American Film, Theater, and Television Images.** Three credits. (Same as AA S 4200.) Prerequisite: SOC 1010 or PSY 1410. Survey of African-American film, theater, and television images in relation to social movements and social policy. Human behavior theory application and sociological paradigm application required.
- 4240 Race and Ethnic Relations.** Three credits. The dynamics of race and ethnic relations in the United States from a socio historic perspective.
- 4300 Criminology.** Three credits. Theories of the causes of criminal behavior and coverage of its development and incidence; punishment and methods of control and rehabilitation.
- 4360 Medical Sociology.** Three credits. Sociological analysis of health care delivery including problems, policies, and issues faced by recipients and providers of care. Focuses on the U.S., role theory, and demographics.
- 4500 Social Psychology.** Three credits. Individual behavior in social contexts and symbolic interaction in groups. Includes social influences on perception, conformity, attitudes, communication, group structure, leadership, and role behavior.
- 4510 Social Movements and Social Change.** Three credits. Study of the major sociological theories of revolutions, rebellions, civil wars, and protest movements of the past and present and their relationship to significant social changes.
- 4520 Population and Society.** Three credits. Prerequisites: SOC 1010 and 2010 or permission of instructor. Examination of world and U.S. population trends and the impact of social forces on such demographic variables as births, deaths, migration, age, sex, education, and marital status and how these impact social conditions.
- 4540 Juvenile Delinquency.** Three credits. Social factors related to delinquency including family, peer-group, school, and community. Includes juvenile justice system and its agents.
- 4550 Sociology of Religion.** Three credits. Religion as social process and institution. An ideological, structural, and functional analysis. Specific U.S. religions examined in detail.
- 4560 Organizational Structures and Processes.** Three credits. Analysis of structure and processes of change, organizational environments, modes of power, ideologies, forms of control and resistance including alternatives to bureaucracy.
- 4640 Health: Organizations, Policy, and Ethics.** Three credits. (Same as S W 4640.)
- 4660 Urban and Community Studies.** Three credits. Prerequisite: SOC 1010. Focuses on the concept of community as a core idea in the historical development of sociology, concentrating on theories and historical trends of urbanization and current urban problems and policies.
- 4790 Sport and Society.** Three credits. (Same as REC 4790.) Behavioral approach to sport and leisure from the related perspectives of sociology and anthropology.
- 4800 Special Projects.** One to six credits. (Same as A S 4800.) Field experiences or reading courses through which special interests or needs of the student may be pursued under individual supervision. No more than three hours may be used in the major. Arrangements must be made with an instructor prior to registration.
- 4900 Sociology Internship.** Three credits to six credits. Supervised independent study in which student is placed in an organization on a contractual basis as a means of applying the principles of his/her training in preparation for eventual employment. Arrangements should be made with the intern supervisor prior to registration.
- 4980 Senior Seminar in Sociology.** Three credits. Prerequisites: At least 18 hours of sociology, including SOC 1010, 3040, 3050, 3060, and senior standing. Integrates coursework in the major through coverage of theory and method, analysis of critical issues, and applications to modern society.

Courses in Anthropology [ANTH]

- 2010 Cultural Anthropology.** Three credits. **Counts toward General Education Social/Behavioral Sciences requirement.** A comparative examination of the cultural organization of human behavior in societies around the world. Practical applications and the importance of intercultural understanding stressed.
- 2105 Introduction to Latin American Studies.** Three credits. (Same as SPAN 2105, P S 2105, SOC 2105, ART 2105, GEOG 2105.) A multidisciplinary, team-taught introduction to Latin America. Covers the cultures and societies of the region: pre-history, history, geography, politics, art, languages, and literatures. Required course for all Latin American Studies minors.
- 2210 Introduction to World Prehistory.** Three credits. Cultural change over the past four million years as interpreted through archaeology. The development of hunting and gathering through the origins of agriculture and the appearance of the world's first civilizations. Counts toward General Education Humanities/Fine Arts requirement.
- 2230 Tennessee Archaeology.** Three credits. Archaeology of prehistoric and historic Tennessee. Based on archaeological research; presents an overview of human occupation in Tennessee with emphasis on local sites.
- 2240 Sunken Continents, Lost Tribes, and Ancient Astronauts.** Three credits. Critical examination of popular theories of prehistory including Atlantis, Bigfoot, extraterrestrial visitors, and others with a focus on the nature of the scientific method.
- 2740 Magic, Witchcraft, and Religion.** Three credits. Symbolic and ritual expression in indigenous and urban societies from an anthropological perspective including interpretations of myth, religious healing, cults, taboo, witchcraft, sorcery, and religious specialists and non-specialists.
- 3010 Ethnology.** Three credits. Examines different approaches in anthropology to the study of contemporary world cultures. For upper-division anthropology majors and minors. Addresses various theoretical approaches in the study of culture, use of ethnographic methods, ethical role of the anthropologist in research, and current issues in ethnology. Readings will focus on ethnographies from around the world.
- 3040 Research Methods.** Three credits. (Same as SOC 3040.) Issues and strategies in the scientific study of social phenomena.
- 3050 Data Analysis.** Three credits. (Same as SOC 3050.) Data analysis and interpretation.
- 3210 Archaeology.** Three credits. Introduces methods used to study the nature and development of prehistoric societies. Approaches to survey, excavation, analysis, and interpretation explored through lectures, case studies, and problem assignments.
- 3240 Ancient Civilizations.** Three credits. Prerequisite: 3 hours of anthropology. Comparative study of archaeological evidence on the origins, development, and collapse of the early civilizations of the world. The transformation of human societies from the first settled villages to urban states in Mesopotamia, Egypt, India, Central Asia, Mesoamerica, and Peru.
- 3310 Human Origins.** Three credits. The origin and development of human life, its primate roots, ecology, and diversity.
- 3410 Linguistic Anthropology.** Three credits. Language in its anthropological contexts with a focus on language as one element of culture, including how a language fits into the cultural system, how language is distinguished from other components of culture, how culture and language interrelate, and what techniques and methods can be used to infer nonlinguistic facts from linguistic material.
- 3510 Peoples and Cultures of Asia.** Three credits. The diverse peoples and cultures of Asia and the Pacific Rim. History, sociocultural system, and contemporary issues and impacts resulting from globalization from an anthropological perspective.
- 3511 Peoples and Cultures of Oceania.** Three credits. The diverse peoples and cultures of Oceania. History, sociocultural system, and contemporary issues and impacts resulting from globalization from an anthropological perspective.
- 3512 Peoples and Cultures of South America.** Three credits. The diverse peoples and cultures of South America. History, sociocultural system, and contemporary issues and impacts resulting from globalization from an anthropological perspective.
- 3513 Peoples and Cultures of Mexico and Central America.** Three credits. The diverse peoples and cultures of Mexico and Central America. History, sociocultural system, and contemporary issues and impacts resulting from globalization from an anthropological perspective.
- 3514 Peoples and Cultures of Africa.** Three credits. (Same as AAS 3514.) The diverse peoples and cultures of Africa. History, sociocultural system, and contemporary issues and impacts resulting from globalization from an anthropological perspective.
- 3515 Peoples and Cultures of Native North America.** Three credits. The diverse peoples and cultures of Native North America (often called American Indians or Native Americans). History, sociocultural system, and contemporary issues and impacts resulting from globalization from an anthropological perspective.
- 3516 Peoples and Cultures of Europe.** Three credits. The diverse peoples and cultures of Europe. History, sociocultural system, and contemporary issues and impacts resulting from globalization from an anthropological perspective.
- 3520 North American Prehistoric Archaeology.** Three credits. A comprehensive presentation including archaeological findings concerning the initial settlement of North America some 14,000 years ago; the origins, adaptations, and development of major North American cultural traditions through European contact and colonization; and the major theoretical contributions of North American archaeology.
- 3521 Mesoamerican Archaeology.** Three credits. Prerequisite: 3 hours anthropology. Archaeology of Mesoamerica to include the findings of archaeology of the initial settlement of Mesoamerica; the origins, adaptations, and development of major prehistoric Mesoamerican cultural traditions such as the Olmec, Maya, and Aztec; and the major theoretical contributions of Mesoamerican archaeology.
- 3610 Archaeological Methods.** Three credits. Prerequisite: ANTH 3210 or permission of instructor. Methods of identifying, excavating, recording, analyzing, reporting, and interpreting archaeological sites. Focus on technical aspects of archaeological research, including a substantial component of classroom simulations of the practical applications of these methodologies.

- 3640 Visual Anthropology.** Three credits. Prerequisites: 3 hours anthropology or permission of instructor. Photography and film as tools and products of ethnography. Researching, analyzing, and presenting behavioral and cultural ideas through visual means. Cultural and political biases presented through photography and film.
- 3650 Forensic Anthropology.** Three credits. Prerequisite: Junior standing. An intensive overview of forensic anthropology—an applied field of physical anthropology that seeks to recover, identify, and evaluate human skeletal remains within a medicolegal context.
- 3710 Topics in Anthropology.** Three or six credits. An in-depth study of a special topic which is significant in current anthropological literature.
- 3720 Cultural Ecology.** Three credits. (Same as GEOG 3720.) Prerequisites: 3 hours anthropology or geography. Comparative study of ecological systems utilized by tribal, peasant, and industrialized peoples of the world. Special attention on theoretical approaches examining the interface of the environment and culture, the evolution of modes of subsistence, and contemporary development and indigenous people.
- 3730 Medical Anthropology.** Three credits. A cross-cultural survey of health-related beliefs and behavior. Includes etiologies, treatments, patients, and practitioners as they interact in an environmental, biological, and cultural context.
- 3750 Race, Class, and Gender.** Three credits. Prerequisites: 3 hours anthropology or women's studies; ANTH 2010 recommended. An anthropological examination of the biological and cultural aspects of human identity as expressed through the concepts of race, ethnicity, gender, and sexuality. Focus on ways in which regional, ethnic, and gender identities are celebrated, contested, and regulated cross-culturally.
- 4120 Practicing Anthropology.** Three credits. Culture change theory and the practical dimensions of anthropology in research and planned change implementation.
- 4620 Environmental Archaeology.** Three credits. Prerequisite: 3 hours from the following: ANTH 2210, 3210, 3310, 3520, or 4950. The interdisciplinary reconstruction of prehistoric environments using archaeological methods with a focus on geoarchaeology, zooarchaeology, and archaeobotany. How past environments affect human adaptation and how humans impact the environment.
- 4730 Economic Anthropology.** Three credits. The ways people produce, distribute, and consume goods, how such systems are organized, how they operate, how they develop, and how they relate to other systems, especially the family, political, and ideological. Draws on case material for household economies, the transition to capitalist economies, and the world economic system.
- 4740 Law and Politics in Traditional Societies.** Three credits. A cross-cultural perspective on concepts of politics and law in non-Western societies and the application of anthropological concepts in the study of legal and political systems in the contemporary global community.
- 4750 Anthropology of Religion.** Three credits. Prerequisite: ANTH 2010 or 2740 or 3010 or permission of instructor. Cross-cultural exploration of religion, including beliefs in the supernatural, the use of ritual in secular and sacred context, and the roles of ceremonial practitioners. Focus on how people interpret and control their worldviews through religion and ritual.
- 4890 Seminar in Anthropological Theory.** Three credits. Prerequisites: 18 hours of anthropology, including ANTH 3010, 3210, 3310, and 3410. The major anthropological theories within their historical, cultural, and political context.
- 4910 Special Projects.** One to six credits. Field experience or reading courses through which special interests or needs of the student may be pursued under individual supervision. No more than three hours may be used in the major. Arrangements must be made with an instructor prior to registration.
- 4940 Ethnographic Field School.** Three to six credits. Field experience in a cross-cultural setting. Training in ethnographic research techniques.
- 4950 Archaeological Field School.** Three to six credits. Course may be taken for three to six credits after consultation with instructor. The basic techniques of archaeology and paleoecology through participation in actual excavation and laboratory work.
- 4960 Anthropology Internship.** One to six credits. Supervised independent study in which student is placed in an organization on a contractual basis as a means of applying the principles of his/her training in preparation for eventual employment. Arrangements must be made with the intern supervisor prior to registration. No more than six hours may be used in the major.

Graduate Study

The department offers the Master of Arts degree in Sociology. Requirements for this degree and a list of the courses offered for graduate credit are published in the Graduate Catalog.

