

For students entering the University 2008-2009 and later
SOCIOLOGY MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

8-12 units of credit if you are Class of 2012 and 9-12 units of credit if you are Class of 2013 or later

_____ **1 100-level course**

Choose from:

- 101 Principles of Sociology
- 110 Global Problems
- 112 Inequality
- 124 Dirty Business and the Environment
- 161 Social Problems and Policy

Majors may take additional courses at the 100 level, but a maximum of 2 such courses may be counted towards the major.

_____ **203 Foundations of Social Theory**

_____ **300 Qualitative Research Methods or 301 Quantitative Research Methods**

Prerequisite: 203 Foundations of Social Theory

_____ **Experiential Component**

Choose one from:

- A SLU approved off-campus study program (semester or year). To fulfill this requirement, students must also attend a gathering of Sociology Department faculty and other sociology majors returning from off-campus study to present a sociological reflection on their experiences.
- Any Sociology course with a CBL (Community Based Learning) component
- SOC 309 Internship
- Summerterm course in Ethiopia offered through Sociology

_____ **Capstone Experience**

Choose from:

- Any 300 or 400 level topical seminar. These seminars have significant individual research components and opportunities for collaborative work, critical thinking, synthesis, and experience in a variety of communication skills. Students may take more than one such seminar, but must take at least one to meet the Capstone Experience requirement.
- 486 Capstone Independent Study (1.0 credit, 1 semester, Fall or Spring)
Prerequisites: 203 Foundations of Social Theory, 300 or 301 Research Methods, any 300 or 400 level topical seminar, and a Capstone Project Application submitted to the Sociology Department for approval prior to preregistration the semester before the start of the project.
- 495/496 Capstone Honors Project (2.0 credits, 2 semesters, 495 in Fall and 496 in Spring)
Prerequisites: 3.5 major GPA, 203 Foundations of Social Theory, 300 or 301 Research Methods, any 300 or 400 level topical seminar, and a Capstone Project Application submitted to the Sociology Department for approval prior to preregistration the semester before the start of the project.

Electives (requirements noted above + electives must TOTAL 8-12 units of credit if you are Class of 2012 and 9-12 units of credit if you are Class of 2013 or later):

A maximum of 2 approved courses from outside the department may be applied to the major. Social Theory, Research Methods, and the Capstone Experience must be taken on campus in the department for major credit.

Distribution Requirements:

_____ Arts & Expression (AEX)	_____ Natural Science w/o lab (NSC) or Science Studies (SST)
_____ Social Science (SSC)	_____ Humanities (HUM)
_____ Math/Foreign Language (MFL)	_____ Diversity (DIV) or study abroad in SLU approved program
_____ Natural Science w/lab (NSC-L)	_____ Diversity (DIV)

Each distribution course must be taken in a different department or program