

SOCIOLOGY-BA

THIS IS A GENERAL CURRICULUM GUIDE AND IS NOT APPLICABLE TO EVERY STUDENT. IT IS IMPORTANT TO MEET WITH YOUR ADVISOR.

Sociology Major (44-48 credits)

Core (35-39 credits)

— **SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology** (3) *Fulfills Foundation – Social and Behavioral Sciences

OR SOC 105 Social Problems (3) *Fulfills Foundation – Social and Behavioral Sciences, Fulfills Cultures – U.S. Diversity

— **SOC 204 Introduction to Social Theory** (3)

Prerequisites: SOC 101 or 105

— **STA 215 Introductory Applied Statistics** (3)

Prerequisites: MAT 110 or equivalent

— **Third Semester Proficiency in a Foreign Language** (8-12) (3rd semester proficiency 101, 102 & 201 OR 150/201)

— **SOC 305 Qualitative Methods in Sociology** (3)

Prerequisites: STA 215, SOC 101, and 3 additional credits in sociology

— **SOC 313 Race and Ethnicity** (3) *Fulfills Cultures-U.S. Diversity/ Part of the Human Rights Issue

Prerequisites: Junior Standing

— **SOC 315 Social Class Inequality** (3)

Prerequisites: Junior Standing

— **SOC 317 Sociology of Gender** (3) *Fulfills Cultures-U.S. Diversity/ Part of the Identity Issue Cross-listed with WGS 317

Prerequisites: Junior Standing

— **SOC 319 Classic Social Theory** (3)

OR SOC 321 Contemporary Sociological Theory (3)

Prerequisite for either course: SOC 204 and six credit hours in sociology

— **SOC 495 Senior Seminar in Sociology (Capstone)** (3)

Prerequisites: Senior standing, SOC 304 or 305, SOC 319 or 321, and prior approval

Elective Requirements (9 credits)

Choose three elective courses in sociology. Whichever of SOC 101 or 105, and SOC 319 or 321 that was not taken for the core can also count as electives.

— **SOC Elective** _____ (3) — **SOC Elective** _____ (3) — **SOC Elective** _____ (3)

Sociology Elective Courses

SOC 180 Special Topics in Sociology (3)

SOC 333 Sociology of the Civil Rights Movement (3)

SOC 377 Globalization: Structures and Movements (3)

SOC 250 Perspectives on Madness (3)

SOC 345 Cultural Sociology (3)

*Prerequisite SOC 101 or 105

SOC 251 Criminology (3)

*Prerequisite SOC 101 or ANT 204

SOC 379 Sociology of Love (3)

SOC 252 Sociology of Drug Use and Abuse (3) SOC 350 Family and Gender in Developing World (3)

*Cross listed with WGS 350

*Prerequisite Junior Standing

SOC 285 Families in Society (3)

*Prerequisites WRT 150 (C or better NOT C-) and Junior Standing

SOC 380 Special Topics in Sociology (3)

SOC 286 Sociology of Health Care (3)

*Fulfills Cultures- World Perspectives

SOC 381 Race, Class, Gender and Sexuality (3)

SOC 287 Sociology of Religion (3)

*Fulfills Foundations- Social Behavioral Science

*Fulfills Cultures- U.S. Diversity

*Part of Identity Issue

*Prerequisite SOC 101 or 105

SOC 288 Sociology of Food (3)

SOC 351 Urban Sociology (3)

*Fulfills Cultures- U.S. Diversity

SOC 289 Sociology of Art (3)

*Prerequisites SOC 101 and Junior Standing

SOC 386 Death and Dying (3)

SOC 290 Sociology of Education (3)

*Part of Sustainability Issue

*Prerequisite Junior Standing

SOC 304 Quantitative Research Methods

*Prerequisite Junior Standing

SOC 387 Sociology of Childhood (3)

*Prerequisites: STA 215, SOC 201 and 3 additional credits in sociology

*Part of Globalization Issue

*Prerequisite SOC 101

SOC 318 Sociology of Sexuality (3)

*Prerequisite SOC 101

SOC 388 Middle Age and Aging (3)

*Prerequisite Junior Standing

*NOT equivalent to PSY 360

SOC 389 Child Maltreatment (3)

*Fulfills Cultures- U.S. Diversity

*Prerequisite Junior Standing

SOC 390 Advanced Seminar in Sociology (3)

*Part of Identity Issue

*Part of Info, Innovation and Tech Issue

SOC 392 Social Deviance and Social Control (3)

*Cross listed with WGS 318

*Cross listed with LIB 360

SOC 399 Independent Readings (1-3)

SOC 322 Sociology of Community

*Prerequisite SOC 101 & Junior Standing

*Prerequisite SOC 101 and instructor consent

*Fulfills Cultures- U.S. Diversity

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SOC 490 Practicum- Career Service (1-9)

*Part of the Identity Issue

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*Prerequisites 15 hours of course prep and instructor consent

SOC 499 Independent Study (1-3)

*Cross listed with LIB 360

* Prerequisites 9 SOC credits and Prior Approval

Sample Plan—BA

Year One	Year Three	
SOC 101 or 105 SOC 204 MTH 110 WRT 150 Language 101 & Language 102	SOC 313 SOC 315 SOC 317 SOC 319 or 321	
Year Two	Year Four	
SOC Elective SOC 305 STA 215 Language 201	SOC Elective SOC Elective SOC 495	
		<p>*Students must complete a total of two courses with an SWS attribute</p> <p>*You must have a total of 120 credits to graduate from Grand Valley State University (you are encouraged to complete an average of 15 credits per semester)</p> <p>*Supplement major courses with general education courses when scheduling</p> <p>*The block tuition rate is for 12-15 credits. You will pay additional tuition for any credits over 15</p>

Guide for Declaring the Sociology Major:

1. Log into myBanner from the GVSU homepage
2. Once logged in select “Student”, “Student Records”, and then, “Change Major”
3. Click on the “Change Major 1/Program” box
4. Click on the down arrow in the box next to “New Major 1/Program,” from here scroll down and choose “Sociology-BS” OR “Sociology-BA” depending on your degree
5. Click “Submit” and then “Change to New Program”

General Education Overlap

General Education Categories fulfilled by the Sociology Major (depending on elective choices):	
Social and Behavioral Sciences: SOC 201, SOC 105	Issues – Human Rights: SOC 313
Mathematical Sciences: STA 215	Issues – Identity: SOC 317, SOC 318, SOC 322, SOC 350
Cultures – U.S. Diversity: SOC 105, SOC 285, SOC 313, SOC 317, SOC 318	Issues – Sustainability: SOC 351
Cultures – World Perspectives: SOC 350	Issues – Information, Innovation, Technology: SOC 366