

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 (33 credits*)	
Core Courses (27 credits)	
<p>— SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology (3) <u>OR</u> SOC 105 Social Problems (3)</p> <p>— SOC 204 Introduction to Social Theory (3) Prerequisites: SOC 101 or 105</p> <p>— STA 215 Introductory Applied Statistics (3) Prerequisites: MTH 110 or equivalent</p> <p>— SOC 305 Qualitative Methods in Sociology (3) Prerequisites: STA 215, SOC 101, and 3 additional credits in sociology</p> <p>— SOC 313 Race and Ethnicity (3) Prerequisites: Junior Standing</p>	<p>— SOC 315 Social Class Inequality (3) Prerequisites: Junior Standing</p> <p>— SOC 317 Sociology of Gender (3) Prerequisites: Junior Standing</p> <p>— SOC 319 Classic Social Theory (3) <u>OR</u> SOC 321 Contemporary Sociological Theory (3) Prerequisite for either course: SOC 204 and six credit hours in sociology</p> <p>— SOC 495 Senior Seminar in Sociology (Capstone) (3) Prerequisites: Senior standing, SOC 304 or 305, SOC 319 or 321, and prior approval</p>

Elective Requirements (6 credits)

Choose two 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)

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)	*Prerequisite Junior Standing
SOC 285 Families in Society (3)	*Cross listed with WGS 350	SOC 380 Special Topics in Sociology (3)
*Fulfills Cultures-U.S. Diversity	*Prerequisites WRT 150 (C or better NOT C-) and Junior Standing	SOC 381 Race, Class, Gender and Sexuality (3)
SOC 286 Sociology of Health Care (3)	*Fulfills Cultures- Global Perspectives	*Prerequisite SOC 101 or 105
SOC 287 Sociology of Religion (3)	*Part of Identity Issue	*Fulfills Cultures- U.S. Diversity
*Fulfills Foundations- Social Behavioral Science	SOC 351 Urban Sociology (3)	SOC 386 Death and Dying (3)
*Fulfills Cultures- U.S. Diversity	*Prerequisites SOC 101 and Junior Standing	*Prerequisite Junior Standing
SOC 288 Sociology of Food (3)	*Part of Sustainability Issue	SOC 387 Sociology of Childhood (3)
SOC 289 Sociology of Art (3)	SOC 355 Sociology of Work and Employment (3)	*Prerequisite SOC 101
SOC 290 Sociology of Education (3)	*Prerequisite Junior Standing	SOC 388 Middle Age and Aging (3)
SOC 304 Quantitative Research Methods	*Part of Globalization Issue	SOC 389 Child Maltreatment (3)
*Prerequisites: STA 215, SOC 201 and 3 additional credits in sociology	SOC 360 Social Psychology-Sociology's view (3)	SOC 390 Advanced Seminar in Sociology (3)
SOC 318 Sociology of Sexuality (3)	*Prerequisite 3 credits in SOC or PSY	SOC 392 Social Deviance and Social Control (3)
*Prerequisite Junior Standing	*NOT equivalent to PSY 360	SOC 399 Independent Readings (1-3)
*Fulfills Cultures-U.S. Diversity	SOC 366 American Society and Media (3)	*Prerequisite SOC 101 and instructor consent
*Part of Identity Issue	*Prerequisite Junior Standing	SOC 490 Practicum- Career Service (1-9)
*Cross listed with WGS 318	*Part of Info, Innovation and Tech Issue	*Prerequisites 15 hours of course prep and instructor consent
SOC 322 Sociology of Community	*Cross listed with LIB 360	SOC 499 Independent Study (1-3)
*Prerequisites SOC 101 & Junior Standing		*Prerequisites 9 SOC credits and Prior Approval
*Fulfills Cultures- U.S. Diversity		
*Part of the Identity Issue		

Bachelor of Arts Degree Requirements (credits vary based on language proficiency placement)

For Sociology majors, the B.A. degree requires third-semester proficiency in a modern, spoken foreign language. This may be fulfilled through language placement (<http://www.gvsu.edu/mll/language-placement-exam-108.htm>) or by completing the courses listed below:

- **Language 101 (4)**
- **Language 102/150 (4)** (150 is a hybrid of 101 & 102 and is only recommended for students with previous language background)
- **Language 201 (4)**

* Please note that language placement fulfills the SOC-BA language requirement, but does not earn credit towards the 120 total required for graduation.

Sample Plan—BA

Year One	Year Three	*Students must complete a total of two courses with an SWS attribute
SOC 101 or 105 SOC 204 MTH 110 WRT 150 or 120/130 Language 101 & Language 102	SOC 313 SOC 315 SOC 317 SOC 319 or 321	*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)
Year Two	Year Four	*Supplement major courses with general education courses when scheduling *The block tuition rate is for 12-15 credits. You will pay additional tuition for any credits over 15
SOC Elective SOC 305 STA 215 Language 201	SOC Elective SOC Elective SOC 495	

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-BA”
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 101, SOC 105, SOC 287	Issues – Globalization: SOC 377
Mathematical Sciences: STA 215	Issues – Human Rights: SOC 306, SOC 313
U.S. Diversity: SOC 105, SOC 285, SOC 287, SOC 313, SOC 317, SOC 318, SOC 322, SOC 381	Issues – Identity: SOC 317, SOC 318, SOC 322, SOC 350
Global Perspectives: SOC 350	Issues – Information, Innovation, Technology: SOC 366
	Issues – Sustainability: SOC 351