

SOCIOLOGY-BS

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

Sociology Major (45 credits)

Core (33 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

— **STA 216 Intermediate Applied Statistics** (3) *Fulfills one of the Foundation – Mathematical Sciences

Prerequisites: STA 215 or STA 312

— **SOC 304 Quantitative Methods in Sociology** (3)

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

— **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 from major advisor

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

Sample Plan—BA

It is imperative to meet with your faculty advisor and an advisor in the CLAS Academic Advising Center regularly.

The CLAS Academic Advising Center is located in C-1-140 MAK, 616-331-8585.

Online at: <http://www.gvsu.edu/clasadvising>

Year One
SOC 101 or 105
MTH 110
WRT 150
Year Two
SOC 204
SOC 304
SOC 305
STA 215
STA 216

Year Three
SOC 313
SOC 315
SOC 317
SOC 319 or 321
Year Four
SOC Elective
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SOC 495

*Students must complete a total of two courses with an SWS attribute
*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)
*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

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