SOCIOLOGY, BA

Sociology is the systematic study of human behavior and society, particularly its development, organization, and institutions. As a social science, it uses various empirical methods of inquiry to investigate and analyze social order, conflict, and change.

Many sociologists conduct research to directly influence social policy or to refine and apply the current body of sociological theory to empower community activists working for justice. Subjects studied range from the micro level of individual behavior and agency to interaction between social groups both large and small to the macro level of social structures. Training in sociology is valued as preparation for graduate work in many professions and careers in nonprofits, state and local government, and business.

The curriculum in Sociology has been designed to develop a comprehensive understanding of human society and to provide enough flexibility for students to pursue areas of individual career or personal interest.

Requirements

Sociology majors must complete at least 33 credit hours of work in the discipline. Transfer students must take a minimum of five courses (15 credit hours) in Sociology at Roosevelt University, including at least 12 credit hours at the 300 level. All majors must complete the core courses listed below.

Minimum grade of C- in the major, with an overall GPA of 2.0

Code	Title	Credit Hours
CORE		
SOC 101	INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY	3
SOC 290	THE RESEARCH PROCESS	3
SOC 303	SOCIOLOGICAL THEORY	3
Select one issues course:		**3**
SOC 210	CONTEMPORARY SOCIAL ISSUES	
SOC 211	CONTEMPORARY GLOBAL ISSUES	
SOC 212	CONTEMPORARY URBAN ISSUES	
ELECTIVES (4 must be 300 level) [1]		**21**
SOC 214	SOCIOLOGY OF CHICAGO NEIGHBORHOODS	
SOC 215	THE FAMILY	
SOC 220	HEALTH, ILLNESS, & INEQUALITY	
SOC 223	SPORTS AND SOCIETY	
SOC 230	JUVENILE JUSTICE	
SOC 260	SOCIETY AND THE INDIVIDUAL	
SOC 291	SOCIAL STATISTICS: INTRODUCTION TO PROBABILITY & STATISTICS	
SOC 318	SOCIAL MOVEMENTS AND SOCIAL CHANGE	
SOC 319	LATINO URBAN EXPERIENCE	
SOC 327		
SOC 329	GLOBAL RACE	
SOC 330	SOCIOLOGY OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ILLNESS	
SOC 331	CRIMINOLOGY	
SOC 342	GLOBAL RACE	
SOC 300	LIVING SOCIOLOGY: CAREER AND PERSONAL PATHWAYS	
SOC 320	THE SOCIOLOGY OF INEQUALITY	
SOC 325	EDUCATION AND SOCIETY	
SOC 340	GENDER AND SOCIETY	
SOC 346	COMMUNITY ORGANIZING	
SOC 355	CLIMATE CHANGE, CITIES, AND JUSTICE	
SOC 356		
General Education, University Writing Requirement, and Electives		**87**
Total Credit Hours		**120**

[1]   One course must address social inequality and should be chosen in consultation with an advisor.

For further details about programs and courses in Sociology or to set up an appointment to discuss the program, please contact the Chair of Sociology, at (312)341-3671.

CORE Requirements (General Education)

Code	Title	Credit Hours
First Year Success Course or Transfer Success Course		
FYS 101	FIRST YEAR SUCCESS COURSE	1
or TRS 101	TRANSFER SUCCESS 101	
Communication Requirement		
ENG 101	COMPOSITION I: CRITICAL READING & WRITING	3
ENG 102	COMPOSITION II: INTRODUCTION TO ACADEMIC RESEARCH	3
COMM 101	PUBLIC SPEAKING (or program specific CORE communications course)	3
Ideas of Social Justice		
3 credits in coursework categorized as Ideas.		3
Humanities and Fine and Performing Arts [2,3]		
9 credits from the following subject areas: African-American Studies, Art History, English (excluding ENG 101 and ENG 102), History, Languages, Music, Philosophy, Theatre, Communication and Women's and Gender Studies		9
Mathematics		
MATH 110	QUANTITATIVE LITERACY (or above) [1]	3
Science		
One biological science and one physical science required (one must include a one credit lab).		7-8
Social Sciences [2,3,4]		
9 credits from the following subject areas: African-American Studies, Criminal Justice, Economics, History, Journalism, Philosophy, Political Science, Psychology, Sociology and Women's and Gender Studies		9
Experiential Learning		

6 credits from coursework categorized as Experiential Learning.		6
Total Credit Hours		**47-48**

[1] Higher level of Math may be required by major
[2] Coursework must come from outside of students' major discipline
[3] A maximum of 9 credits can be applied from a single discipline towards humanities and social science requirements
[4] Digital Advertising and Public Relations Majors must complete COMM 110 with a grade of C or higher. This course can fulfill one Social Science requirement.

These quantitative requirements also apply to degrees.

- Students must earn a minimum of 120 semester hours.
- Students may apply no more than 60 credit hours of 100-level courses toward the degree.
- Students must apply no fewer than 60 credit hours of 200- and 300-level courses toward the degree.
- Students must have at least 18 credit hours (of the 60 credit hours above) at the 300 level.
- Students may transfer in no more than 70 credit hours from community colleges.
- Students earning less than 60 total hours in residence must take their final 30 hours at Roosevelt University. Note that some majors have additional requirements for RU hours.
- Students must have a grade point average of 2.0 or higher to graduate. Note that some majors have additional GPA requirements.
- Students may apply no more than 51 hours in the major (BA) or 57 hours in the major (BS)

  Your degree map is a general guide suggesting courses to complete each term on the academic pathway to your degree. It is based on the most current scheduling information from your academic program. Your program's degree map is reviewed annually and updated as schedules change (although you retain the same course requirements as long as you are continuously enrolled in your degree program).

Always work closely with your academic advisor to understand curriculum requirements and scheduling, as each student's academic plan can look slightly different.

Year 1

Fall	Credit Hours	Spring	Credit Hours
ENG 101	3	ENG 102	3
SOC 101	3	SOC 210, 211, or 212	3
FYS 101	1	Humanities #1	3
MATH 110	3	Physical Science[5]	3
BIOL 111 or 112[5]	3	Ideas of Social Justice	3
	13		**15**

Year 2

Fall	Credit Hours	Spring	Credit Hours
SOC 290	3	SOC 2XX or SOC 3XX[2,3]	3
SOC 2XX or SOC 3XX[2,3]	3	Social Science #2	3
COMM 101	3	Social Science #3	3
Humanities #2	3	Humanities #3	3
Social Science #1	3	General Elective[1]	3
	15		**15**

Year 3

Fall	Credit Hours	Spring	Credit Hours
Experiential Learning#1[4]	3	General Elective[1]	3
SOC 2XX or SOC 3XX[2,3]	3	SOC 303	3
General Elective[1]	3	General Elective[1]	3
General Elective[1]	3	General Elective[1]	3
General Elective[1]	3	General Elective[1]	3
		General Elective[1]	1
	15		**16**

Year 4

Fall	Credit Hours	Spring	Credit Hours
SOC 3XX[3]	3	SOC 3XX[3]	3
SOC 3XX[3]	3	SOC 3XX[3]	3
Experiential Learning #2[4]	3	General Elective[1]	3
General Elective[1]	3	General Elective[1]	3
General Elective[1]	3	General Elective[1]	3
	15		**15**

Total Credit Hours 119

[1] Or course towards an optional Minor.
[2] Any course at the 200 level within the discipline.
[3] Any course at the 300 level within the discipline.
[4] Experiential Learning class must be 200/300 level. Satisfies CORE Experiential Learning requirement. EXL courses can satisfy major requirements/electives or CORE requirement
[5] One Natural Science course must have a lab.