

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

| Year One   |    |  |     |
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| <b>SOC 101</b> Introduction to Sociology <b>OR</b> <b>SOC 105</b> Social Problems<br>General Education or <sup>1</sup> WRT 120 ( <i>self-placement</i> ) | 3  | <sup>1</sup> WRT 130 <b>OR</b> WRT 150 Strategies in Writing ( <i>self-placement</i> )   | 3-4 |
| General Education  | 3  | MTH 110 Algebra  | 4   |
| General Education  | 3  | General Education  | 3   |
| General Education  | 3  | General Education (Physical Science <b>OR</b> Life Science w/Lab)  | 4   |
| General Education  | 3  | <sup>2</sup> Elective ( <i>dependent on WRT placement</i> )  | 1   |
| <i>Total</i>   | 15 | <i>Total</i>   | 15  |
| Year Two   |    |  |     |
| STA 215 Introductory Applied Statistics<br>Prerequisite: MTH 110 or equivalent   | 3  | STA 216 Intermediate Applied Statistics<br>Prerequisite: STA 215 or STA 312  | 3   |
| <b>SOC 204</b> Introduction to Social Theory<br>Prerequisite: SOC 101 or SOC 105   | 3  | <b>SOC 304</b> Quantitative Methods in Sociology<br>Prerequisites: STA 215, SOC 101 or 105, & 3 additional SOC credits   | 3   |
| General Education  | 3  | General Education <b>OR</b> <sup>3</sup> Minor/Elective  | 3   |
| General Education  | 3  | <sup>3</sup> Minor/Elective  | 3   |
| <sup>3</sup> Minor/Elective  | 3  | <sup>3</sup> Minor/Elective  | 3   |
| <i>Total</i>   | 15 | <i>Total</i>   | 15  |
| Year Three   |    |  |     |
| <b>SOC 305</b> Qualitative Methods in Sociology<br>Prerequisites: STA 215, SOC 101 or 105, & 3 additional SOC credits                                    | 3  | <b>SOC 317</b> Sociology of Gender<br>Prerequisite: Junior Standing  | 3   |
| <b>SOC 315</b> Social Class Inequality<br>Prerequisite: Junior Standing  | 3  | <b>SOC 313</b> Race and Ethnicity<br>Prerequisite: Junior Standing   | 3   |
| <sup>4</sup> <b>Social Theory Course</b> <b>OR</b> <sup>3</sup> Minor/Elective<br>Social Theory Prerequisite: SOC 204 & 6 additional SOC credits         | 3  | <sup>4</sup> <b>Social Theory Course</b> <b>OR</b> <sup>3</sup> Minor/Elective<br>Social Theory Prerequisite: SOC 204 & 6 additional SOC credits                     | 3   |
| Issues<br>Prerequisite: Junior Standing  | 3  | Issues<br>Prerequisite: Junior Standing  | 3   |
| <sup>3</sup> Minor/Elective  | 3  | <sup>3</sup> Minor/Elective  | 3   |
| <i>Total</i>   | 15 | <i>Total</i>   | 15  |
| Year Four  |    |  |     |
| <b>SOC Elective</b> ( <i>options on second page</i> )  | 3  | <b>SOC 495</b> Seminar Senior Seminar in Sociology ( <i>Capstone</i> ) (SWS)<br>Prerequisite: Senior Standing & SOC 304 or 305 & SOC 319 or SOC 321 & prior approval | 3   |
| <b>SOC Elective</b>  | 3  | <b>SOC Elective</b>  | 3   |
| <sup>3</sup> Minor/Elective  | 3  | <b>SOC Elective</b>  | 3   |
| <sup>3</sup> Minor/Elective  | 3  | <sup>3</sup> Minor/Elective  | 3   |
| <sup>3</sup> Minor/Elective  | 3  | <sup>3,5</sup> Minor/Elective ( <i>second SWS, if needed</i> )   | 3   |
| <i>Total</i>   | 15 | <i>Total</i>   | 15  |

<sup>1</sup>Students who self-place into WRT 120 should take this course in the fall semester and then take WRT 130 in the winter semester of their first year. WRT 150 can take it in either semester during their first year. Students will not need to take WRT 150 if they have earned credit for the course through AP/Dual Enrollment. A grade of C or better (**NOT A-C-**) is required in WRT 130 or 150 to satisfy the WRT requirement.

<sup>2</sup>Number of 1 - credit classes electives are dependent on WRT placement.

<sup>3</sup>Minor/Elective – students often have enough credits to select a minor to complete with the major. See both your Academic advisor and Faculty Advisor for more information.

<sup>4</sup>Students will take **SOC 319** Classic Social Theory (Fall Only) **OR** **SOC 321** Contemporary Sociological Theory (Winter Only). Whichever semester you do not take a Social Theory course you can take a different semester a SOC Elective.

<sup>5</sup>SWS = Supplemental Writing Skills. Students must complete 2 courses with a SWS attribute.

\*Students must have a minimum of 120 credits to graduate with 58 of the 120 credits being from a senior level institution like GVSU and the final 30 credits of the 120 credits are specifically to be completed at GVSU. Elective refers to any course that will help meet these requirements.

\*The block tuition rate is for 12-15 credits. You will pay additional tuition for any credits over 15. For more information contact the Office of Financial Aid.

\*A major GPA of 2.0 or higher within the major is required to graduate.

**Declaring the Sociology-BS Major:**

1. In myBanner, select "Student" > "Student Records" > "Change Major" > "Change Major 1/Program"
2. Choose "Sociology-BS" from the drop-down box.
3. Click "Submit" and then "Change to New Program"

| <b>General Education Overlap</b> <i>(Depending on elective choices)</i>  |   |  |
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| Social and Behavioral Sciences: SOC 101, SOC 105, SOC  | Global Perspectives: SOC 305  |  |
| Mathematical Sciences: STA 215   | U.S. Diversity: SOC 105, SOC 285, SOC 287, SOC 313  |  |
| Issues-Globalization: SOC 377  | Issues – Human Rights: SOC 306, SOC 313   |  |
| Issues-Identity: SOC 317, SOC 318, SOC 322, SOC 350  | Issues – Information, Innovation, Tech: SOC 366   |  |
| Issues-Sustainability: SOC 351   |   |  |
| <b>Sociology Major (45 credits)</b>  |   |  |
| <b>Core Courses (24 credits)</b>   |   |  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>___ <b>SOC 101</b> Introduction to Sociology (3)<br/><i>OR</i> <b>SOC 105</b> Social Problems (3)</li> <li>— <b>SOC 204</b> Introduction to Social Theory (3)<br/><i>*SOC 101 or 105</i></li> <li>— <b>SOC 305</b> Qualitative Methods in Sociology (3)<br/><i>*STA 215, SOC 101 or 105, &amp; 3 additional SOC credits</i></li> <li>— <b>SOC 313</b> Race and Ethnicity (3)<br/><i>*Junior Standing</i></li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>___ <b>SOC 315</b> Social Class and Inequality (3)<br/><i>*Junior Standing</i></li> <li>— <b>SOC 317</b> Sociology of Gender (3)<br/><i>*Junior Standing</i></li> <li>— <b>SOC 319</b> Classic Social Theory <i>OR</i> <b>SOC 321</b> Contemporary Sociology Theory (3)<br/><i>*SOC 204 &amp; 6 additional SOC credits</i></li> <li>— <b>SOC 495</b> Senior Seminar in Sociology (<i>Capstone</i>) (SWS) (3)<br/><i>*Senior Standing, SOC 304 or 305 &amp; SOC 319 or 321 &amp; prior approval</i></li> </ul>  |  |
| <b>Elective Requirements (6 credits)</b>   |   |  |
| <i>(Choose <b>FOUR</b> elective courses in sociology. Whichever of SOC 101 or 105, &amp; SOC 319 or 321 that was not taken for the core can also count as a SOC elective)</i>  |   |  |
| SOC Elective ____ (3)  | SOC Elective ____ (3)   |  |
| SOC Elective ____ (3)  | SOC Elective ____ (3)   |  |
| <b>Sociology Electives</b>   |   |  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>SOC 180</b> Special Topics in Sociology (3)<br/><i>*Course content and number of credits offered changes every semester</i></li> <li><b>SOC 250</b> Perspectives on Madness (3)</li> <li><b>SOC 251</b> Criminology (3)</li> <li><b>SOC 252</b> Sociology of drug Use and Abuse (3)</li> <li><b>SOC 285</b> Families in Society (3)<br/><i>*Fulfills U.S. Diversity</i></li> <li><b>SOC 286</b> Health and Society (3)<br/><i>*Fulfills Social Behavioral Sciences</i><br/><i>*Fulfills U.S. Diversity</i></li> <li><b>SOC 287</b> Sociology of Religion (3)<br/><i>*Fulfills Social Behavioral Sciences</i><br/><i>*Fulfills U.S. Diversity</i></li> <li><b>SOC 288</b> Sociology of Food (3)</li> <li><b>SOC 289</b> Sociology of Art (3)</li> <li><b>SOC 290</b> Sociology of Education (3)</li> <li><b>SOC 304</b> Quantitative Research Methods (3)<br/><i>*STA 215, SOC 201, &amp; 3 additional SOC credits</i></li> <li><b>SOC 318</b> Sociology of Sexuality (3)<br/><i>*Junior Standing</i><br/><i>*Fulfills U.S. Diversity</i><br/><i>*Fulfills Issues-Identity</i><br/><i>*Cross listed with WGS 318</i></li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>SOC 322</b> Sociology of Community (3)<br/><i>*SOC 101 &amp; Junior Standing</i><br/><i>*Fulfills U.S. Diversity</i><br/><i>*Fulfills Issues-Identity</i></li> <li><b>SOC 333</b> Sociology of the Civil Rights Movement (3)</li> <li><b>SOC 345</b> Cultural Sociology (3)<br/><i>*Prerequisites: SOC 101 or ANT 204</i></li> <li><b>SOC 350</b> Family and Gender in Developing World (3)<br/><i>*WRT 150 (C or better NOT C-) &amp; Junior Standing</i><br/><i>*Cross listed with WGS 350</i><br/><i>*Fulfills Global Perspectives</i><br/><i>*Fulfills Issues-Identity</i></li> <li><b>SOC 351</b> Urban Sociology (3)<br/><i>*SOC 101 &amp; Junior Standing</i><br/><i>*Fulfills Issues-Sustainability</i></li> <li><b>SOC 355</b> Sociology of Work and Employment (3)<br/><i>*Junior Standing</i><br/><i>*Fulfills Issues-Globalization</i></li> <li><b>SOC 360</b> Social Psychology-Sociology's view (3)<br/><i>*3 credits in SOC or PSY</i><br/><i>*Not equivalent to PSY 360</i></li> <li><b>SOC 366</b> American Society and Media (3)<br/><i>*Junior Standing</i><br/><i>*Fulfills Issues-Innovation/Tech</i><br/><i>*Cross listed with INT 360</i></li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>SOC 377</b> Globalization: Structures and Movements (3)<br/><i>*SOC 101 or 105</i></li> <li><b>SOC 379</b> Sociology of Love (3)<br/><i>*Junior Standing</i></li> <li><b>SOC 380</b> Special Topics in Sociology (3)<br/><i>*Course content changes every semester</i></li> <li><b>SOC 381</b> Race, Class, Gender, and Sexuality (3)<br/><i>*SOC 101 or 105</i><br/><i>*Fulfills U.S. Diversity</i></li> <li><b>SOC 386</b> Death and Dying (3)<br/><i>*Junior Standing</i></li> <li><b>SOC 387</b> Sociology of Childhood (3)<br/><i>*SOC 101</i></li> <li><b>SOC 388</b> Middle Age and Aging (3)</li> <li><b>SOC 389</b> Child Maltreatment (3)</li> <li><b>SOC 390</b> Advanced Seminar in Sociology (3)</li> <li><b>SOC 392</b> Social Deviance and Social Control (3)<br/><i>*SOC 101 &amp; permission from instructor</i></li> <li><b>SOC 399</b> Independent Readings (1-3)<br/><i>*SOC 101 &amp; permission from instructor</i></li> <li><b>SOC 490</b> Practicum: Career Service (1-9)<br/><i>*15 hours of course prep &amp; permission from instructor</i></li> <li><b>SOC 499</b> Independent Study (1-3)<br/><i>*9 SOC credits &amp; permission from instructor</i></li> </ul> |
| <b>Bachelor of Science (9 credits)</b>   |   |  |
| Complete the following 3 courses for the B.S. Degree Requirements:   |   |  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— STA 215 Introductory Applied Statistics (3)<br/><i>*MTH 110 or equivalent</i></li> <li>— STA 216 Intermediate Applied Statistics (3)<br/><i>*STA 215 or STA 312</i><br/><i>*Fulfills Math requirement</i></li> <li>— <b>SOC 304</b> Quantitative Methods in Sociology (3)<br/><i>*STA 215, SOC 101, or 105 &amp; 3 additional SOC credits</i></li> </ul>  |   |  |