Sociology Major

Learning Goals and Objectives

Goal 1.
Sociology majors will demonstrate comprehension of the discipline of sociology and its role in contributing to our understanding of social reality.
1.1 Students can apply the sociological imagination, sociological principles, and theoretical concepts.

Goal 2.
Sociology majors will develop knowledge of sociological research methods.
2.1 Students can design a research study in an area of choice and explain why various methodological decisions were made.
2.2 Students can run basic statistical analyses to answer research questions.

Goal 3.
Sociology majors will understand how to communicate within their discipline.
3.1 Students can engage in social scientific technical writing that accurately conveys data findings.
3.2 Students can orally present research or course material clearly and concisely.

Goal 4.
Sociology majors will understand the operation of culture and social structure.
4.1 Students can describe the significance of variations by race, class, gender, sexual orientation, and age, and thus critically assess societal systems.

The traditional undergraduate programs include 40 courses distributed across three components: A General Education component divided into Signature Courses, Variable Courses, and an Integrative Learning requirement; a Major and Divisional component; and Free Electives. In addition to course requirements as specified in each area, students must complete one certified course in each of the following overlay areas:

1. Diversity, Globalization or Non-western Area Studies,
2. Ethics Intensive, and
3. Writing Intensive. Overlay requirements are part of the forty-course requirement.

General Education Signature Courses
See this page about Signature courses (https://academiccatalog.sju.edu/curricula/#signature). Six courses

General Education Variable Courses
See this page about Variable courses (https://academiccatalog.sju.edu/curricula/#variable). Six to Nine courses

General Education Overlays
See this page about Overlays (https://academiccatalog.sju.edu/curricula/#overlay).

General Education Integrative Learning Component
See this page about Integrative Learning Component (https://academiccatalog.sju.edu/curricula/#integrative-learning). Three courses:

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<td>MAT 118</td>
<td>Introduction to Statistics (This is necessary for use of SPSS)</td>
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Social Science
Select one of the following:

- Introduction to Psychology
- Economics
- Political Science
- History
- Any other social science course

Arts & Sciences
Any course within the College of Arts and Sciences will satisfy this requirement enhancing our students’ understanding of social justice

GEP Electives
8 elective courses

Major Requirements

Major Concentration

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Any experiential learning, including study abroad, internships, study tour courses, and service learning

Select six additional SOC courses numbered above 200 as listed