

SOCIOLOGY

College of Behavioral and Social Sciences Feller Center - Advising & Career Planning Effective Fall 2020 and later

As a University of Maryland student, you are an informed and active participant in your education. Therefore, the College of Behavioral and Social Sciences expects that you:

- Know your benchmark/gateway and degree requirements
- Develop a graduation plan which leads to a timely graduation
- Review your academic audit and evaluate your career planning progress during your junior year
- Take appropriate actions to remove registration blocks and register on time
- Adhere to University and College policies and deadlines
- Be responsible for your academic actions and decisions

Academic and Career Planning advisors are here to assist you in meeting your educational and professional goals. Therefore, the College is committed to the following:

- Introducing you to major and University requirements upon your entrance to a BSOS major
- Providing assistance during academic difficulty
- Referring you to helpful campus resources when needed
- Providing academic and career advising throughout your undergraduate career

Advising Resources

Feller Center - Advising & Career Planning

General questions, registration, exceptions to University policy, academic probation, limited enrollment questions, graduation concerns, career planning

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Department Advising

Major requirements and courses, registration, internships, career questions, department permission for courses

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SOCY Major Benchmarks

Benchmark Requirements: In accordance with University policy, the Department of Sociology has established benchmark requirements. Students are expected to demonstrate continuing progress in their majors by completing prerequisite or required courses with the appropriate grades within an established timeframe. Students who do not complete benchmark requirements will need to choose a new major and will not be permitted to return to the Sociology major at a later time.

Benchmark 1: *SOCY majors must complete the following courses within two semesters of entering the major:*

- Academic Writing with C– or higher
- Additional Gen Ed course 1 with D– or higher
- Additional Gen Ed course 2 with D– or higher
- MATH107, 120, 140 or STAT100⁺ with C– or higher
- SOCY100 with C– or higher
- Additional SOCY Foundation Course with C– or higher

⁺STAT100 preferred

**** More than 3 SOCY courses per semester WILL NOT be permitted****

NAME: _____

UID: _____ DATE: _____

SOCIOLOGY - BA

General Education Requirements			
Fundamental Studies			
<i>Requirements: 15 credits</i>	<i>Course</i>	<i>Credits</i>	<i>Grade</i>
AW: Academic Writing	ENGL101	3	
PW: Professional Writing — Taken after 60 credits		3	
OC: Oral Communication		3	
MA: Fundamental Studies Math	Benchmark Math	3	
AR: Analytic Reasoning	SOCY201	3	
Distributive Studies			
<i>Requirements: 25 credits</i>	<i>Course</i>	<i>Credits</i>	<i>Grade</i>
NL: Natural Sciences Lab		4	
NS: Natural Sciences		3/4	
HS: History and/or Social Sciences	SOCY100	3	
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HU: Humanities		3	
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SP: Scholarship in Practice (overlap permitted with major requirement)	SOCY202	4	
SP: Scholarship in Practice (must be non-major requirement)		3	
Signature Courses (overlap permitted with Distributive Studies/Diversity)			
<i>Requirements: 6 credits</i>	<i>Course</i>	<i>Credits</i>	<i>Grade</i>
IS: Big Question		—/3	
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Diversity (overlap permitted with Distributive Studies/Signature Courses)			
<i>Requirements: 4—6 credits</i>	<i>Course</i>	<i>Credits</i>	<i>Grade</i>
UP: Understanding Plural Societies		3	
CC: Cultural Competency OR UP: Understanding Plural Societies		1—3	
TOTAL General Education Credits			
General Education requirements must total at least 40 credits			
Requirements for Graduation:			
<input type="checkbox"/> Earn a C– or higher in Academic Writing and all major requirements			
<input type="checkbox"/> Earn a D– or higher in every Gen Ed course except Academic Writing			
<input type="checkbox"/> Earn a 2.0 average in all courses used to satisfy major requirements			
<input type="checkbox"/> 15 of the final 30 credits must be earned at the 300-400 level			
<input type="checkbox"/> 12 upper level major credits must be earned at UMD			
<input type="checkbox"/> At least 30 credits must be earned at UMD			
<input type="checkbox"/> Earn a cumulative 2.0 GPA in all UMD coursework			
<input type="checkbox"/> Earn a minimum of 120 credits			

SOCY Major Requirements		
<i>Requirements</i> [Courses in brackets are prerequisite courses]	<i>Credits</i>	<i>Grade</i>
Benchmark 1 Requirements		
Academic Writing (C– or higher)	—	
Additional Gen Ed course 1 (D– or higher)	—	
Additional Gen Ed course 2 (D– or higher)	—	
MATH107, 120 [113], 140 [115] or STAT100 [†] (C– or higher)	—	
SOCY100 (C– or higher)	3	
Additional SOCY Foundation Course (C– or higher)	—	
SOCY Foundation Requirements (Grade of C– or higher)		
SOCY201 [SOCY100 & Benchmark Math]	4	
SOCY202 [SOCY100]	4	
SOCY203 [SOCY100]	3	
SOCY230	3	
SOCY241, SOCY200, or SOCY441 (<i>choose one</i>)	3/4	
SOCY Substantive Requirements (C– or higher) ***		
<i>400 Level SOCY Research Courses of Choice must come from the approved list.</i>		
300/400 Level SOCY Course of Choice	3	
400 Level SOCY Course of Choice	3	
400 Level SOCY Research Course of Choice 1 [SOCY201 & SOCY202]	3	
400 Level SOCY Research Course of Choice 2 [SOCY201 & SOCY202]	3	

***Prerequisites vary by courses, please check the schedule of classes on Testudo for specific prerequisites.

[†]STAT100 preferred

SOCIOLOGY- Graduation Plan

Year 1	Fall		Spring	
Complete your graduation plan! Benchmark 1 requirements must be completed within 2 semesters Academic Writing Gen Ed course 1 Gen Ed course 2 MATH107, 120, 140, or STAT100 SOCY100 Additional SOCY Foundation Course	Course	Credit	Course	Credit
	ENGL101 (AW: Academic Writing)	3	SOCY230	3
	MA: Math (based on placement/ Benchmark Math)	3	OC (Oral Communication)	3
	SOCY100 (HS: History/Social Sciences)	3	NL (Natural Sciences Lab)*	4
	HU (Humanities)*	3	HS (History/Social Sciences)*	3
	Elective	3	Elective	3
	UNIV100 or BSOS361	1		
	Total	16	Total	16
Year 2	Fall		Spring	
Check in with your advisor regarding your progress!	Course	Credit	Course	Credit
	SOCY201 (AR: Analytic Reasoning)	4	SOCY202 (SP: Scholarship & Practice -major)	4
	HU (Humanities)*	3	NS (Natural Sciences)*	3
	SP (Scholarship & Practice -non-major)*	3	UP (Understanding Plural Societies) or CC (Cultural Competence)	3
	Elective	3	Elective	3
	Elective	2	Elective	3
	Total	15	Total	16
Year 3	Fall		Spring	
When you're between 75—89 credits, watch out for an email from your Advisors regarding your remaining degree requirements!	Course	Credit	Course	Credit
	SOCY203	3	SOCY241, 200, or 441	3/4
	UP (Understanding Plural Societies)	3	PW (Professional Writing)	3
	Elective	3	Elective	3
	Elective	3	Elective	3
	Elective	3	Elective	3
	Total	15	Total	15/16
Year 4	Fall		Spring	
Apply for graduation!	Course	Credit	Course	Credit
	300/400 Level SOCY Course of Choice 1	3	400 Level SOCY Course of Choice 2	3
	400 Level SOCY Research Course of Choice 3	3	400 Level SOCY Research Course of Choice 4	3
	Upper Level Elective	3	Elective	3
	Elective	3	Elective	3
	Elective	3		
	Total	15	Total	12

Cumulative Credits + Planned Credits = Total Credits	120
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***Important Planning Notes:**

- All students must take two Distributive Studies courses that will also count for the SCIS: Big Question requirement. (Big Question courses are not listed separately in this plan)
- Understanding Plural Societies courses may also fulfill a Distributive Studies category.