

# BACHELOR OF SCIENCE-SOCIOLOGY

Texas A&M University-Texarkana offers a Bachelor of Science degree in Sociology. Sociology is an illuminating and rewarding field of study that analyzes and explains important matters in our personal lives, our communities, and the world we live in. At the personal level, sociology investigates the social causes and consequences of such things as romantic love, racial, ethnic and gender identity, marriage and family relationships, deviant behaviors, health and wellness, aging and dying, inter-personal violence, religious beliefs and practices, etc. At the societal level, sociology examines and explains matters such as crime and punishment, law and law enforcement, wealth and poverty, prejudice, stereotyping, and discrimination, educational institutions, business organizations, urban community, social movements, social stratification and inequality, etc. At the global level, sociology studies such phenomena as population growth, immigration, globalization, terrorism, war and peace, global poverty, human rights and freedoms, economic development, etc.

## Career Opportunities in Sociology:

Knowledge gained from these diverse areas of interest can serve as a broad base for careers in professions such as law, education, medicine, social work, social services, criminal justice, human services, law enforcement, journalism, politics, public service, business, or the criminal justice system. As a student, you will have the opportunity to work one-on-one with faculty and participate in various experiential learning opportunities through an internship program.

## Bachelor of Science-Sociology

Students should refer to their DegreeWorks degree audit in their Web for Students account for more information regarding their degree requirements.

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Major Requirements</b>		
	General Education Requirements ( <a href="http://catalog.tamut.edu/academic-information/university-core-curriculum/">http://catalog.tamut.edu/academic-information/university-core-curriculum/</a> )	42
SOCI 1301	Introduction to Sociology <sup>6</sup>	3
SOC 310	Sociological Theory	3
SOC 323	Social Stratification	3
SOC 354	Research Methods and Ethics	3
SOC 380	Ethnic and Cultural Diversity in America	3
SOC 490	Senior Seminar	3
SOC 495	Sociology Internship (EL)	3
Select 15 semester credit hours from the following:		15
SOCI 2301	Marriage and Family	
SOCI 2350	Introduction to Social Work	
SOCI 2370	Contemporary Social Issues and Concerns	
SOC 314	Social Psychology	
SOC 315	Law and Society	
SOC 320		
SOC 325	Crime and Delinquency	
SOC 330	Institutional Corrections, Theory and Practice	
SOC 385	Globalization and Social Change	
SOC 485	Religion and Society	
SOCI 335	Media and Society	
SOCI 345	Sociology of Crime and Justice	
SOCI 355	Medical Sociology	
<b>Minor</b>		18
Select minimum of 18 semester credit hours from Minors listed in catalog		
<b>Electives (as needed to satisfy degree requirements, including 45 semester credit hours of Upper Division course work)</b>		
<b>Minimum Hours for Degree</b>		120

<sup>6</sup> Satisfies core curriculum

Note: A minimum of 45 upper division hours are required for this degree. Resident credit totaling 25% of the hours is required for the degree.

# Bachelor of Science- Sociology 4 Year Plan

## First Year

Code	Title	Hours
		Semester
		Credit
		Hours
Fall		
ENGL 1301	Composition I <small>requires minimum grade of 'C', Satisfies Core Curriculum</small>	3
Mathematics Core Curriculum Requirement ( <a href="http://catalog.tamut.edu/academic-information/university-core-curriculum/">http://catalog.tamut.edu/academic-information/university-core-curriculum/</a> )		3
HIST 1301	United States History I <small>Satisfies Core Curriculum</small>	3
Creative Arts Core Curriculum Requirement ( <a href="http://catalog.tamut.edu/academic-information/university-core-curriculum/">http://catalog.tamut.edu/academic-information/university-core-curriculum/</a> )		3
SOCI 1301	Introduction to Sociology <small>Satisfies Core Curriculum</small>	3
UNIV 1100	University Foundations	1
<b>Fall Total Semester Credit Hours</b>		<b>16</b>
Spring		
		Semester
		Credit
		Hours
ENGL 1302	Composition II <small>Satisfies Core Curriculum</small>	3
or ENGL 2311	Technical Writing & Communication	
HIST 1302	United States History II	3
Language, Philosophy and Culture Core Curriculum Requirement ( <a href="http://catalog.tamut.edu/academic-information/university-core-curriculum/">http://catalog.tamut.edu/academic-information/university-core-curriculum/</a> )		3
COMM 1307	Introduction to Mass Communication <small>Satisfies Core Curriculum</small>	3
or SPCH 1315	Public Speaking	
Component Area Option B of the Core Curriculum ( <a href="http://catalog.tamut.edu/academic-information/university-core-curriculum/">http://catalog.tamut.edu/academic-information/university-core-curriculum/</a> )		3
<b>Spring Total Semester Credit Hours</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Total First Year Semester Credit Hours</b>		<b>31</b>

**Note:** The following courses are included in the major GPA calculation: **SOCI 1301**

## Second Year

Code	Title	Hours
		Semester
		Credit
		Hours
Fall		
Life and Physical Sciences Core Curriculum Requirement ( <a href="http://catalog.tamut.edu/academic-information/university-core-curriculum/">http://catalog.tamut.edu/academic-information/university-core-curriculum/</a> )		3-4
PSCI 2305	U.S. Government and Politics	3
SOC 310	Sociological Theory	3
SOC 380	Ethnic and Cultural Diversity in America	3
Elective - Upper or Lower Division as needed to meet upper division and overall requirement		3
<b>Fall Total Semester Credit Hours</b>		<b>15-16</b>
Spring		
		Semester
		Credit
		Hours
Life and Physical Sciences Core Curriculum Requirement ( <a href="http://catalog.tamut.edu/academic-information/university-core-curriculum/">http://catalog.tamut.edu/academic-information/university-core-curriculum/</a> )		3-4
PSCI 2306	State and Local Government	3
SOC 323	Social Stratification	3
Elective - Upper or Lower Division as needed to meet upper division and overall requirement		3
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<b>Spring Total Semester Credit Hours</b>		<b>15-16</b>
<b>Total Second Year Semester Credit Hours</b>		<b>30-32</b>

**Note:** The following courses are included in the major GPA calculation: **SOC 310, 380, SOC 323**

## Third Year

Code	Title	Hours
		Semester
		Credit
		Hours
SOC 354	Research Methods and Ethics	3
Fall		
SOC 2301	Marriage and Family	
SOC 2350	Introduction to Social Work	
SOC 2370	Contemporary Social Issues and Concerns	
SOC 314	Social Psychology	
SOC 315	Law and Society	
SOC 320		
SOC 325	Crime and Delinquency	
SOC 330	Institutional Corrections, Theory and Practice	
SOC 385	Globalization and Social Change	
SOC 485	Religion and Society	
SOCI 335	Media and Society	
SOCI 345	Sociology of Crime and Justice	
SOCI 355	Medical Sociology	
Minor Required Course	Minimum 18 semester credit hours from minor listed in catalog	3
Elective - Upper or Lower Division as needed to meet upper division and overall requirement		3
<b>Fall Total Semester Credit Hours</b>		<b>15</b>
Spring		Semester
		Credit
		Hours
Select three of the following:		9
SOCI 2301	Marriage and Family	
SOCI 2350	Introduction to Social Work	
SOCI 2370	Contemporary Social Issues and Concerns	
SOC 314	Social Psychology	
SOC 315	Law and Society	
SOC 320		
SOC 325	Crime and Delinquency	
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Minor Required Course	Minimum 18 semester credit hours from minor listed in catalog	3
Elective - Upper or Lower Division as needed to meet upper division and overall requirement		3
<b>Spring Total Semester Credit Hours</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Total Third Year Semester Credit Hours</b>		<b>30</b>

Note: The following courses are included in the major GPA calculation: SOC 354, 314, 315, 320, 325, 330, 385, 485, SOCI 2301, 2350, 2370, 335, 345, 355

## Fourth Year

Code	Title	Hours
		Semester
		Credit
		Hours
Fall		

SOC 495	Sociology Internship (EL)	3
Minor Required Course	Minimum 18 semester credit hours from minor listed in catalog	3
Minor Required Course	Minimum 18 semester credit hours from minor listed in catalog	3
Elective - Upper or Lower Division as needed to meet upper division and overall requirement		3
Elective - Upper or Lower Division as needed to meet upper division and overall requirement		3
<b>Fall Total Semester Credit Hours</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Spring</b>		<b>Semester Credit Hours</b>
SOC 490	Senior Seminar	3
Minor Required Course	Minimum 18 semester credit hours from minor listed in catalog	3
Minor Required Course	Minimum 18 semester credit hours from minor listed in catalog	3
Elective - Upper or Lower Division as needed to meet upper division and overall requirement		3
Elective - Upper or Lower Division as needed to meet upper division and overall requirement		3
<b>Spring Total Semester Credit Hours</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Total Fourth Year Semester Credit Hours</b>		<b>30</b>
<b>Minimum Hours for Degree</b>		<b>120</b>

**Note: The following courses are included in the major GPA calculation: SOC 495, 490**

NOTE: A minimum of 45 upper division hours are required for this degree. Resident credit totally 25% of the total hours is required for the degree.