

Sociology & Anthropology

Sociology is the systematic study of social organization and social life. Sociologists use scientific and humanistic approaches to explain and understand social behavior and social systems. Topics include collective behavior and social movements; deviant behavior, crime and punishment; gender and human sexuality; race and ethnicity, community and urban society; and social class and status.

Anthropology is the comparative study of human diversity through time and across the world. Its scope spans the humanities, the social sciences, and the biological, physical, and evolutionary sciences. As a social science, anthropology aims at uncovering the patterns of past and present societies; from a humanistic perspective, .seeks to understand the ways cultural meaning and political power have shaped human experience.

Students in the Sociology & Anthropology program learn a variety of research methods and social theories used to study both large-scale and small-scale patterns of social relationships, as well as the processes by which these patterns change. A minor in Sociology & Anthropology will provide additional breadth of perspective for students with majors in Democracy and Justice Studies, Environmental Planning and Policy, Public Administration, Urban Studies, and Business Administration. It also provides preparation for students going on to graduate work in programs such as sociology, social work, urban studies, and other social science programs.

Minor

Code	Title	Credits
Supporting Courses		10
ANTHRO 100	Varieties of World Culture	
SOCIOL 101	Introduction to Sociology	
Take one of the following statistics courses		
COMM SCI 205	Social Science Statistics	
MATH 260	Introductory Statistics	
BUS ADM 220	Business Statistics	
Upper-Level Courses		12
Required Core Course		
COMM SCI 301	Foundations for Social Research	
SOCIOL 307	Social Theory	
Choose two of the following Elective courses:		
ANTHRO 304	Family, Kin, and Community	
ANTHRO 306	Environmental Anthropology	
ANTHRO 314	Cultures of the World	
ANTHRO 320	Myth, Ritual, Symbol and Religion	
ANTHRO 340	Medical Anthropology	
ANTHRO 348	Economic Anthropology	
ANTHRO 498	Independent Study	
DJS 362	Power and Change in America	
SOCIOL 303	Race and Ethnic Relations	
SOCIOL 304	Deviant Behavior	
SOCIOL 310/UR RE ST 310	Urban Sociology	
UR RE ST 314	Suburbs	
SOCIOL 315	Street Gangs in America	
SOCIOL 320	Sociology of Religion	
SOCIOL 321	Topics in Sociology	
SOCIOL 335	Social Psychology	
SOCIOL 355	Environmental Sociology	
SOCIOL 375	Sociology of Sexual and Intimate Relations	
SOCIOL 404	Criminology	
SOCIOL 498	Independent Study	

Total Credits

22

Faculty

Ray Hutchison; Professor; Ph.D., University of Chicago, chair

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