

# SOCIOLOGY

## Department of Sociology

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#### DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

Please refer to the general regulations pertaining to academic programs.

#### BACHELOR OF ARTS (Honours)

##### Single Major SOCIOLOGY

##### First Year

- SOCI 1016/1017\*
- 24 additional credits of which 6 credits must be from Group I (Humanities) and 6 credits Group III (Sciences)

*NOTE: Students are strongly encouraged to select electives from ANTR 1007, ANIS 1006/1007*

##### Second Year

- SOCI 2016
- SOCI 2017
- SOCI 2127\*
- 6 additional credits from SOCI 2000 series
- 15 elective credits

##### Third Year

- SOCI 3016
- SOCI 3126\*
- SOCI 3127\*
- SOCI 3526
- 6 additional credits from SOCI 3000 series
- 12 elective credits

##### Fourth Year

- SOCI 4105
- 6 credits SOCI 4000 series
- 9 additional credits SOCI, upper-year
- 9 elective credits

\* Minimum grade of 60% required.

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##### Second Year

- SOCI 2016
- SOCI 2017
- SOCI 2127\*
- 21 elective credits (including credits toward second major)

##### Third Year

- SOCI 3016
- SOCI 3126\*
- SOCI 3127\*
- SOCI 3526
- 3 additional credits SOCI, upper-year
- 15 elective credits (including credits toward second major)

##### Fourth Year

- SOCI 4105
- 6 additional credits SOCI upper-year
- 18 elective credits (including credits toward second major)

\* Minimum grade of 60% required.

1. The maximum number of first year level credits which may be applied to a B.A. degree program is 42 credits.
2. A single major in an honours program consists of 60 credits in a subject area.
3. A student may take a maximum of 78 credits in a single subject area for credits toward the degree.
4. A combined major in an honours program consists of 42 credits in each of two subject areas.

#### Summary of Degree Requirements by course credit – honours program

SOCI credits = 60

Group I (Humanities) = 6 credits

Group III (Sciences) = 6 credits

Elective credits = 48 credits

#### Summary of Degree Requirements by course credit – combined major

SOCI credits = 42

Second concentration = 42 credits

Group I (Humanities) = 6 credits

Group III (Sciences) = 6 credits

Elective credits = 24 credits

#### BACHELOR OF ARTS (General) Single Major SOCIOLOGY

##### First Year

- SOCI 1016/1017\*
- 24 credits of which at least 6 must be from Group I (Humanities) and 6 from Group III (Sciences)

##### Second Year

- SOCI 2016
- SOCI 2017
- SOCI 2127\*
- 21 elective credits

##### Third Year

- SOCI 3016
- SOCI 3126\* or SOCI 3127\*
- 15 credits SOCI upper-year or 9 credits SOCI & 6 credits ANTR, upper-year
- 9 elective credits

\* Minimum grade of 60% required.

Please refer to the general regulations pertaining to combined majors. A combined major in a general B.A. program requires 30 credits in each of two disciplines. The Sociology requirements for the combined major are:

## BACHELOR OF ARTS (General) Combined Major SOCIOLOGY

### First Year

- SOCI 1016/1017\*

### Second and Third Years

- SOCI 2016
- SOCI 2017
- SOCI 2127\*
- SOCI 3126\* or SOCI 3127\*
- SOCI 3016
- 9 additional credits in SOCI **OR**  
3 credits in upper year SOCI and 6  
credits in upper year ANTR

\* Minimum grade of 60% required.

## HONOURS DIPLOMA IN SOCIOLOGY

The Diploma program has been developed for graduates of the 3-year general B.A. who wish to pursue further studies in Sociology. To be admitted, students must have successfully completed a general B.A. in Sociology, with a minimum 70% overall average in required SOCI courses. The Diploma program includes a minimum of 30 upper-year credits in Sociology. The program of study must be approved by the Department Chair and meet the equivalent requirements of a 4-year specialized B.A. in Sociology. Please contact the Office of the Registrar for specific requirements.

## MINOR IN SOCIOLOGY

A minor in Sociology is available to students who are qualifying for a degree program. In all cases, students will be expected to respect all course prerequisite requirements. The minor in Sociology consists of the following:

SOCI 1016 Understanding Society I:  
Principles and Processes  
SOCI 1017 Understanding Society II:  
Institutions and Issues

3 credits from:

SOCI 2016 Thinking Sociologically  
SOCI 2017 Emergence of Sociological  
Theories  
SOCI 2127 Introductions to Social Research  
Methods and Statistics

3 credits SOCI 3000 series  
12 upper year credits in Sociology

More information on minors is available in Chapter Three: Academic Policies, Procedures and Regulations.

## ANTHROPOLOGY COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

*Prerequisites: Unless otherwise noted, registration in courses above the first year level normally requires completion of a university level course in Anthropology or approval of the Department. Students should consult the Department for further information.*

### ANTR 1007 Introduction to Cultural Anthropology

Provides a general introduction to social/cultural anthropology (a general survey of the field, with a concentration on the comparative analysis of culture, using examples from different societies around the world); anthropological linguistics (focusing on the origin, structure and distribution and social/cultural aspects of human languages) and applied anthropology (the identification and resolution of practical problems via anthropological methods). *Students may not retain credit for both ANTR 1005 and ANTR 1007. (LEC 3) (3 cr)*

### ANTR 2406 Social Anthropology: Experiencing Culture through Ethnography

This course will provide an overview of basic concepts familiar to Cultural Anthropology. Students will become familiar with culturally relativistic ways of comparing cultures, and there will be an emphasis on shedding personal ethnocentrism. A few of the topics that will be covered are kinship, ethnicity, sexuality, gender, race, how people make a living, how we organize our societies and a few of the ways that people use belief systems to enhance understanding of material worlds. Furthermore, through the examination of issues familiar to the student, the student will be encouraged to engage in critical thinking. *Prerequisite: ANTR 1007 (LEC 3) (3 cr)*

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*Prerequisites: Unless otherwise noted, registration in courses beyond the first year level requires completion of SOCI 1016/1017 (minimum of 60% in each) or permission of the department.*

### SOCI 1016 Understanding Society I: Principles and Processes

This course will provide a close examination of basic sociological concepts and investigate the methodology and theoretical perspectives employed in the acquisition of sociological knowledge. The major focus will be placed on how human potential and nature become transformed into a wide range of patterned behaviour among different members of society. These social issues will be examined comparatively and with particular reference to Canadian society. *(LEC 3) (3 cr)*

### SOCI 1017 Understanding Society II: Institutions and Issues

The course will aim at producing a systematic understanding of societal institutions such as family, religion, education, economy and politics, with particular reference to Canadian society. The course will also critically examine major issues of our time such as inequality, social conflict, urbanization, ecology, and population growth. *(LEC 3) (3 cr)*

### SOCI 2006 The Child and Society

A course in the sociology of childhood with a focus on the social factors which affect the behaviour and development of children. *(LEC 3) (3 cr)*

### SOCI 2007 The Adolescent and Society

A course in the sociology of adolescence with a focus on the social factors which affect the behaviour and development of adolescents. *(LEC 3) (3 cr)*

### SOCI 2016 Thinking Sociologically

Examines the different types of sociological reasoning used to answer questions about social behaviour, social programs and social policies. Students gain an appreciation of the value of the sociological perspective through the application of critical thinking. *Prerequisite: SOCI 1016/1017 or instructor's permission. (LEC 3) (3 cr)*

**SOCI 2017 Emergence of Sociological Theories**

Presents the context which gave birth to sociology, as well as a general overview of the classics which contributed to the development of sociology. *Students may not retain credit for SOCI 3015, 3016 and 2017. Prerequisite: SOCI 1016/1017 or instructor's permission. (LEC 3) (3 cr)*

**SOCI 2026 The World of Work**

A survey of the ways in which people's changing experience of work is shaped by gender, race, ethnicity, class and culture in Canada and the wider global context. *(LEC 3) (3 cr)*

**SOCI 2036 Family Sociology**

The primary focus of this course is the micro-processes within families and family-life groups including family formation and dissolution and interaction patterns across the life course. These are reviewed in relationship to the major non-familial roles assumed by family members with special attention to the effects of inequalities at the micro- and macro-levels. *Students may not retain credit for both SOCI 2036 and 2035. Prerequisite: SOCI 1016/1017 or permission of the instructor. (LEC 3) (3 cr)*

**SOCI 2086 Crime and Punishment I: Explanations of Crime**

A study of the causes of crime with an emphasis on crime in Canada. The Criminal Code is studied and crime is defined. Types of crime are described and their quantity estimated. After considering causal explanations generally, the several theories of crime are analyzed and evaluated. *(LEC 3) (3 cr)*

**SOCI 2087 Crime and Punishment II: Police, Courts, Prisons, and Rehabilitation**

The institutions and policies of the Criminal Justice System of Canada, that is, the police, courts, prisons, and various rehabilitation programs, are the subject matter of the course. Evaluation of programs to reduce crime and rehabilitate offenders receive special attention. *(LEC 3) (3 cr)*

**SOCI 2127 Introduction to Social Research Methods and Statistics**

Examines research methods including observational techniques, survey research, and advanced sampling methodology. Students will study a variety of descriptive and inferential statistical procedures. *Prerequisite: SOCI 1016/1017. (LEC 3) (3 cr)*

**SOCI 2156 Critical Analysis of the Canadian Health System**

This course will provide an introduction to the sociology of health. This course will provide a thorough discussion and examination of the Canadian health system from multiple perspectives. *Prerequisite: SOCI 1016 or instructor's permission. Students may not retain credit for both SOCI 2156 and 4156. (LEC 3) (3 cr)*

**SOCI 2296 Sociology of Education Issues**

This course is aimed at students who plan to consider a degree in education. It will provide venue for exploration of a range of social issues that relate to education. *(LEC 3) (3 cr)*

**SOCI 2306 Introduction to Globalization**

This course introduces students to the complex connections between different countries in the world and the way these connections are increased over time. The main objective of the course is to expose students to the current debates about collective identities, citizenship, and globalization and to encourage students to think critically about these topics. *Prerequisite: SOCI 1016/1017 or instructor's permission. Students may not retain credit for more than one of SOCI 2306, 2407 and POLI 2306. (LEC 3) (3 cr)*

**SOCI 2506 Social Problems**

The course is concerned with a theoretical and empirical examination of major contemporary social problems and their international and national inter-connections. Such problems as poverty, effects of industrialization, living and working conditions, population growth, alienation, urbanization, will be discussed. Various views/programs generated to deal with such problems will also be analyzed and evaluated. *(LEC 3) (3 cr)*

**SOCI 2626 Social Stratification**

In this course, theories of social stratification and mobility patterns will be investigated along with the study of recent trends in occupational, ethnic and gender stratification in Canadian society. *Students may not retain credit for more than one of SOCI 2626, 3065 or 3066. (LEC 3) (3 cr)*

**SOCI 2636 The Social Making of Gender**

The primary objective of this course is to develop an understanding of the social making of gender in contemporary society. As a basis for this, anthropological and historical perspectives will also be covered. The focus of this course will be on a critical investigation of the social creation of gender and of the gendered division of labour and patriarchal social organization. The social making of normality and deviance in relation to gender will be explored. *Students may not retain credit for SOCI 3626, 3627 and 2636. (LEC 3) (3 cr)*

**SOCI 2706 Sociology of Music**

The sociology of music is a discipline that deals with music as a social phenomenon. The issue of the social nature of music including the complex multi-faceted social interactions that form the environment in which music is produced, disseminated, appreciated and used, the socially constructed definitions and implications of the word "music" in various cultures, and the characteristics of music in a particular culture will be examined. All types of music and the environments in which they are created and disseminated are to be reviewed and studied as social constructs. *Prerequisite: SOCI 1016/1017 and/or first year MUSC course. Students may not retain credit for both MUSC 2706 and SOCI 2706. (LEC 3) (3 cr)*

**SOCI 2756 Rural Sociology**

This course will introduce students to basic concepts used in the study of sociology as it is applied to rural areas. This course will build on the growing disciplinary knowledge from Rural Sociology by using local, national and international examples. This course will examine the impact of colonialism on rural societies, rural and remote areas and their relationship to urban centres, and the relationship between domestic commodity producers and the capitalist market in rural communities. Special emphasis will be placed on Northern Ontario and Canada. *(LEC 3) (3 cr)*

**SOCI 3016 Modern Sociological Theories: Manifestations and Issues**

A comparative study of modern sociological theories based on original texts. This course presents the current issues in the sociological theories. *Prerequisite: SOCI 2016/2017. Students may not retain credit for more than one of SOCI 3016, 3015 or 3017. (LEC 3) (3 cr)*

**SOCI 3075 Mass Culture and Mass Media**

The role of mass media such as radio, press, magazines, television and movies on modern society. Mass media as a means of social control and socialization. The effects of mass media on political, social and economic behaviour. (LEC 3) (6 cr)

**SOCI 3095 Canadian Society**

Study of Canadian Society with emphasis on processes of industrialization, patterns of regional development and ties with American and world capitalism. Profiles of major institutions. Special attention to English Canada/Quebec relations and Northern Ontario. (LEC 3) (6 cr)

**SOCI 3126 Qualitative Methods**

This course examines the qualitative traditions of sociological research and links the epistemological underpinnings of research to practical techniques. A variety of data collection techniques are examined and compared including participant and non-participant approaches to data gathering. The development and administration of interviews are discussed along with content analysis and other semantic analysis approaches. *Prerequisite: SOCI 2127 or permission of the instructor.* (LEC 3) (3 cr)

**SOCI 3127 Quantitative Research Methods and Analysis**

Students will learn research design and application of techniques in quantitative research methodology for the field of sociology. This course introduces basic descriptive and inferential techniques used in quantitative social research. Students will acquire the skills needed to perform basic analyses and read the research literature. They will also acquire skills in using a standard computer package to perform data analyses (SPSS). Topics include: research design and problem formulation, sample description, sampling methods, measurement and scaling, research ethics, data organization, data analysis such as hypothesis testing and measures of association. *Prerequisites: SOCI 1016/1017, SOCI 2127, SOCI 2016.* (LEC 3) (3 cr)

**SOCI 3196 Social Movements**

A study of the processes of development, evolution and impact of organizing which tend to influence (within a Canadian context) political decisions and history, e.g. labour, feminist, anti-nuclear movements. *Prerequisite: SOCI 1016/1017 or instructor's permission.* (LEC 3) (3cr)

**SOCI 3227 Environmental Sociology**

This course will introduce the basic sociological theories and concepts which are used to understand relations between social actions and interactions and the natural environment. The major focus will be placed on contemporary environmental problems such as demography, consumption of food and energy, biodiversity, and waste management. These social issues will be examined comparatively and with particular reference to the Canadian society and Northern Ontario. Students will be invited to do a collective social research project on one of these issues, and diffuse its results to the community. (LEC 3) (3 cr)

**SOCI 3306 Globalization and the New World Disorder**

The spread of global capitalism sustains relations of underdevelopment and global inequality. Students will be introduced to the theories and practices which shape local and global political contexts. Topics to be covered include post-industrial, post-fordist, and post-modern society; patterns of economic restructuring and the state; global space; and systems of governance in a globalized world. *Students may not retain credit for more than one of SOCI 3226, 2065 and 3306. Prerequisite: SOCI 1016/1017 or instructor's permission.* (LEC 3) (3 cr)

**SOCI 3307 Social Problems: Legal Issues**

This course is designed to investigate legal social problems such as legal aid, language laws, prostitution, pornography, environment, freedom, civil liberties, medical technology. (LEC 3) (3 cr)

**SOCI/LBST 3516 In and Out of Work in the Global Economy**

This course examines paid and unpaid work in globalizing capitalist societies including advanced post industrial and new industrializing societies. *Students may not retain credit for both SOCI 3506 & 3516. Prerequisite: SOCI 1016/1017 E or instructor's permission.*

**SOCI 3526 Diversity, Community Resistance and Collective Action**

This course will continue developing basic concepts used in the study of sociology by exploring social inequality of power, through an examination of specific connections like race, class and gender. This course examines the interaction between power, resistance and collective action. Students will be able to link arguments and discussion points that integrate theoretical perspectives and research findings, and advance reasonable conclusions. *Prerequisites: SOCI 1016/1017, SOCI 2016.* (LEC 3) (3 cr)

**SOCI 3536 Racialization, Migration and Identity**

This course links theories of racialization, migration and identity in a Canadian and global context. The course begins by tracing a social history of Canada's immigration practices as they shape a nation from a colonial to a postcolonial and multicultural society. This Canadian framework is explained by critical analysis of 'race', ethnicity, multiculturalism and identity. With this background, contemporary issues of ethnicity and identity linked to migration are critiqued in a context of globalization. *Prerequisites: SOCI 1016/1017, SOCI 2016.* (LEC 3) (3 cr)

**SOCI 3616 Class and Power**

An examination of the concept of class within different theoretical traditions is a central focus of this course. Attention is paid to the structure of elites which form the basis of decision-making and the exercise of power at different levels of society. An emphasis is placed on Canadian society. *Students may not retain credit for both SOCI 2616 and SOCI 3616. Prerequisites: SOCI 1016/1017 and SOCI 2126/2127 or permission of the instructor.* (LEC 3) (3 cr)

**SOCI 3636 The Social Making of Sexuality**

The primary objective of this course is to develop an understanding of the social construction of sexuality in contemporary society. As a basis for this, anthropological and historical perspectives will also be covered. The focus of this course will be on denaturalizing gender, sexuality, desire, masculine and feminine sexualities, heterosexualities and homo-sexualities to understand how these create and sustain, and are created and sustained, by the gendered division of labour and patriarchal social organization. The social making of normality and deviance in relation to desire and sexuality will be explored. *Students may not retain credit for SOCI 3626, 3627, 3625 and 3636. Prerequisite: SOCI 1016/1017 and 2636 or instructor's permission. (LEC 3) (3 cr)*

**SOCI 3706 The Contemporary Marriage and Family**

Focuses on contemporary marriage and family developments; parent and adolescent relationships; experimental alternatives to marriage; single parenting. *Prerequisite: SOCI 1016/1017 or permission of the instructor. (LEC 3) (3 cr)*

**SOCI 3817 Sociology of Aging**

The study of aging and the aged in a cross-cultural perspective with special attention to Canada. *Prerequisite: SOCI 1016/1017 or permission of the instructor. (LEC 3) (3 cr)*

**SOCI 3906 Selected Topics I**

The topic of the course varies with the instructor and the year. Usually the course includes the professor's research. *Prerequisite: SOCI 1016/1017 or permission of the instructor. (LEC 3) (3 cr)*

**SOCI 3907 Selected Topics II**

The topic of the course varies with the instructor and the year. Usually the course includes the professor's research. *Prerequisite: SOCI 1016/1017 or permission of the instructor. (LEC 3) (3 cr)*

**SOCI 4105 Research and Critical Analysis**

The purpose of this course is to prepare students to successfully engage in critical study and theory discussion at an advanced undergraduate level. Each student will submit an essay based on independent research. Various forms of research (e.g. survey, interview, secondary analysis of existing data or studies) may be proposed. The work will involve a public presentation of the main findings and conclusions. *Restricted to students in the four-year Sociology program. Prerequisites: SOCI 2127, and 3126, and 3127 or permission of the instructor. (LEC 3) (6 cr)*

**SOCI 4906 Selected Topics in Sociology I**

The topic of this course will vary each year, dependent on the faculty member offering the course. It will be based on the research interests and specialization of the professor's research. *Prerequisite: Restricted to students in the four-year program or permission from the instructor. (LEC 3) (3 cr)*

**SOCI 4907 Selected Topics in Sociology II**

The topic of this course will vary each year, dependent on the faculty member offering the course. It will be based on the research interests and specialization of the professor's research. *Prerequisite: Restricted to students in the four-year program or permission from the instructor. (LEC 3) (3 cr)*