

**SOCIOLOGY
ADVISING
POWER POINT**

2018-2019

POWERPOINT OVERVIEW

- Opportunities in Sociology: Careers, Graduate School & Student Involvement
- Internship
- BA vs BS Programs and Courses
- Degree Evaluation
- Course Planning Information
- Advising Worksheet [Note: You MUST print, complete, and bring this slide along with your degree evaluation to your advising appointment to receive an alternate pin number]

SOCIOLOGY CAREERS

- **What can I do with a Sociology major?**
 - Social Services
 - Including case work and social work. In fact, sociology is good preparation for those interested in going to graduate school in social work (MSW) and, of course, in sociology.
 - Public Services
 - Not all public services require a degree. Increasingly, however, even police departments show significant preference that officers earn an undergraduate degree before applying for law enforcement positions. Our Bachelor of Science in Sociology with a Criminology Concentration is extremely popular, but not required, for those entering law enforcement.
 - Management
 - Students who focus on research and writing skills in our programs may be well prepared for entry level management positions, especially if they focus on data analysis and good communication.
 - Education
 - Teaching K-12 in Connecticut requires certification, but this is not the only option for those interested in education. Moreover, a sociology degree is good preparation for those hoping to earn their certification while pursuing a Master of Education degree (M.Ed.) For more information, contact the School of Education.
 - Marketing
 - Marketing uses the predictive elements of social research to predict outcomes that can be profitable in business.
 - Social Science Research
 - Those who pursue advanced training in the social sciences will find that their degree in sociology provided the proper foundation
- **For more career information:**
 - <https://www.southernct.edu/student-life/academic-success/career-services/students-resources/index.html>

GRADUATE SCHOOL

– Graduate Studies

- High achieving students interested in advanced study will find they are well prepared for masters programs in sociology and other fields.
- Highest achieving students will find they are competitive for entry into well funded combination MA/PhD programs
- A bachelor's degree in sociology does not limit you to sociology for graduate studies. Students interested in providing counseling and psychotherapy services most often pursue MSW programs (Master of Social work) and sociology graduates are often successful on this career path

– **SCSU offers an M.S. in Sociology, with an emphasis in Social Justice.** See Dr. Adams or Dr. Kenty-Drane for more information.

SOCIOLOGY STUDENTS - GET INVOLVED!

- Join or start a club!
 - Sociology Club
 - Alpha Kappa Delta, Sociology Honors Society (GPA 3.25 +)
 - Social Justice Club – newly forming!
- Engage in student research!
 - Independent Study
 - Honors Thesis
 - Undergraduate Research Conference
- Get involved in the community!
 - Internship
 - Coordinate or participate in a community event

INTERNSHIP STEPS

1. Attend the Internship Orientation session in term prior to desired internship.
2. Select a SOC faculty member to serve as your academic internship advisor.
3. Identify appropriate internship sites.
4. Contact internship sites and complete their application process. *Note that some sites require extensive background checks – begin early!*
5. Secure a written confirmation of acceptance at internship site as well as a list of tasks/ duties for the internship.
6. Complete SOC internship application form.
7. Write SOC internship proposal essay and attach to internship application form.
8. Submit SOC internship application
 - SOC/ A&S Internship Form
 - SOC Internship Proposal Essay
 - Internship Site Confirmation of Position signed letter
 - Internship Site List of Tasks/ Duties

SOCIOLOGY BACHELORS' PROGRAMS

- **Bachelor of Science Degree with a Criminology Concentration (36 credits)**
- **Bachelor of Arts Degree in Sociology (36 credits)**

BS & BA CORE REQUIREMENTS (18 Credits)

- SOC 100 – Introduction to Sociology
- SOC 201 – Social Science Statistics
- SOC 255 – Research Methods in Sociology
- SOC 260 – Applied Contemporary Theory

Diversity Requirement (choose one):

- SOC 310 - Racial and Ethnic Relations or
- SOC 315 – Sociology of Gender or
- SOC 363 – Social Inequality

In addition, students complete their major with a final **capstone requirement** (choose one):

- SOC 490 – Senior Seminar in Sociology (WV course)
- SOC 494 & SOC 495 – Honors Thesis in Sociology
- SOC 497 – Internship (3 cr. 150 hours unpaid)

ELECTIVE REQUIREMENTS (18 credits)

BS in Sociology with Criminology Concentration (18 credits)

- SOC 362 – Criminology
- Five (5) criminology and criminal justice courses. With the permission of the Department Chair, BS students may substitute related courses outside of the department, such as Crime Scene Investigation, when available.

BA in Sociology (18 additional credits)

- BA students select six (6) additional courses in sociology.
- BA students may take sociology courses within criminology concentration to meet Sociology Electives,

Program links for more information:

[BA in Sociology](#) & [BS - Soc/Crim](#)

PLANNING FOR NEXT SEMESTER: Q1: WHAT TIER 1 COURSES REMAIN?

LEP Tier-I Courses	Code
First Year Experience- Inquiry 101	TIFY
Critical Thinking	TICT
Multilingual Communication: 200 course for any language, 100 and 101 beginning Fall 2017	TIMC
Quantitative Reasoning (MAT 103, MAT 107...)	TIQR
Written Communication – ENG 112	TIWC
Technological Fluency	TITF

Q2: WHAT TIER 2 COURSES REMAIN?

LEP Tier-2 Course	Code
Natural World 1 – Physical Realm	T2PR
Natural World 2 – Life & Environment	T2LE
<u>Six (6) of the following:</u>	
Cultural Expression	T2CE
Global Awareness	T2GA
Mind and Body	T2MB
American Experience	T2AE
Creative Expression	T2CE
Social Structure, Conflict and Consensus	T2SS
Time and Place	T2TP

REMEMBER!

- The specific courses that fulfill Tier 1, Tier 2 and Tier 3 Capstone courses are listed under each requirement on your degree evaluation.
- Be sure to print out a **current** degree evaluation so you have the most updated list.

Typical Sophomore Year Schedule:

Most of these courses reflect selected options.

Fall		
1	SOC 201	Social Science Statistics (Core Req)
2	SOC 255	Research Methods (Core Req)
3	SOC 310	Ethnic and Racial Relations (Core)
4	SPA 200	Spanish III (Tier-1, Multi-lingual Comm)
5	SOC 265	Self and Society (Tier-2 MB)

Spring		
1	SOC 260	Applied Social Theory (Core Req)
2	SOC 250	Apocalypse Now?
3	SOC 362	Criminology
4	PSC 260	US Government (Tier-2 AE)
5	CHE 103	Crime Scene Chemistry (Tier-2 Nat World I)

IMPORTANT TIMING INFO:

- No more than two courses per subject area may be used to satisfy a Tier-2 requirement.

When do you plan to take the LEP Tier-3 course?

You can take the Tier-3 capstone course when all Tier 1 courses are completed and 7 out of 9 Tier 2 courses are completed.

You may have choices as to which semester, but keep an eye on the availability of Tier-3 courses that interest you.

W-COURSES

- Focus on developing writing and **revising** skills beyond ENG 112
- Senior seminar is always offered as a W course.
- You will likely need to find one course outside of Sociology for your 3rd W-course
- Many W course sections are offered in Tier 2 areas of knowledge courses

ADVISING WORKSHEET FOR (NAME): _____
[PRINT, COMPLETE, & BRING WITH YOUR DEGREE EVALUATION TO YOUR APPOINTMENT]

Possible Courses for next Semester

Student ID _____

Questions for Advising

Student signature

ADVISING APPOINTMENT OPTIONS

1. Quick appointment

- You went to a group advising session and are confident in your schedule but still need to obtain your alternate pin number

2. A 10-minute appointment

- to follow up with a few questions

3. A longer advising appointment to address specific areas of concern

You may always schedule an appointment with your adviser to discuss academic and professional interests. It is easiest to make these appointments outside of the registration period.