**California State University, Long Beach**

**SOCIOLOGY B.A.**

**41** units required

**Department of Sociology, Psy-144**

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**T**he major in sociology is intended to serve as preparation for careers in teaching, delivery and administration of social and health services, urban and environmental studies, law, government service at local, state and federal levels and related occupations. The major also provides training for advanced graduate work in sociology, social work and other social sciences. Sociology also is recommended as a second major or minor for students of all other social sciences, for business, for the humanities (especially literature and theatre arts), for ethnic and area studies, for journalism and other various applied arts and sciences.

**S**ociology courses are suitable for fulfilling general education or elective requirements for students of other majors.

**T**he department strongly recommends that lower division courses be completed before upper division courses, and that students pay special attention to the methods and theory sequences. Experience has shown that students who take courses out of sequence do not perform as well academically. The methods sequence consists of the following three courses which should be taken in order: SOC 170; SOC 270; and either SOC 354 or SOC 355. The theory sequence consists of the following two courses which should be taken in order: SOC 356 and SOC 357.

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| **I. INTRODUCTORY COURSES** (2 courses = 6 units) |

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**Complete the following two courses with a grade of “C” or better (6 units)**

\_\_\_ SOC 100 Principles of Sociology (3 units)

\_\_\_ SOC 142 Social Trends & Problems (3 units)

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| **II. METHODS SEQUENCE** (3 courses = 11 units) – Take courses in this order |

**Complete the following two courses with a grade of “C” or better (7 units)**

\_\_\_ SOC 170 Elementary Statistics (4 units) PSY 110 or HDEV 190

\_\_\_ SOC 270 Introduction to Research Methods (3 units)

**Complete one of the following courses with a grade of “C” or better (4 units)**

\_\_\_ SOC 354 Qualitative Methods of Social Research (4 units)

**or**

\_\_\_ SOC 355 Quantitative Methods of Social Research (4 units)

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| **III. THEORY SEQUENCE**  (2 courses = 6 units) – Take courses in this order |

**Complete the following two courses with a grade of “C” or better (6 units)**

\_\_\_ SOC 356 Classical Sociological Theory (3 units)

\_\_\_ SOC 357 Modern Sociological Theory (3 units)

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| **IV. ( A ) CORE: GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES**  (1 course = 3 units) |

**Complete one of the following courses (3 units)**

\_\_\_ SOC 317 Problems in International Social Conflict (3) **(or** **I/ST 317)**

\_\_\_ SOC 318 Cases in International Social Conflict (3) **(or** **I/ST 318**)

\_\_\_ SOC 358 The Sociology of Migration and Immigration (3)

\_\_\_ SOC 405 Un-Imaging the Middle East (3) **(or I/ST 405)** **[GE Writing Intensive]**

\_\_\_ SOC 410 Environmental Sociology (3)

\_\_\_ SOC 430 Sociology of Globalization (3)

\_\_\_ SOC 449 Sociology of Human Rights and Social Justice (3)

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| **IV. (B ) SOCIAL INEQUALITY AND SOCIAL CHANGE** (1 course = 3 units) |

**Complete one of the following courses (3 units)**

\_\_\_ SOC 325 Sociology of Gender (3)

\_\_\_ SOC 346 Race, Gender and Class (3)

\_\_\_ SOC 353 Urban and Social Policy Analysis (3)

\_\_\_ SOC 420 Social Stratification (3)

\_\_\_ SOC 426 Sociology of Sexualities (3)

\_\_\_ SOC 427 Social Movements and Activism (3)

\_\_\_ SOC 436 Racism, Power, and Inequality (3)

\_\_\_ SOC 460 Poverty and Public Policy (3) **[GE Writing Intensive]**

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| **V. Sociology Electives**  (4 courses = 12 units) |

**Complete four of the following courses (12 units)**

\_\_\_ SOC 317 Problems in International Social Conflict \_\_\_ SOC 415 Sociology of Education

(or **I/ST 317**) \_\_\_ SOC 420 Social Stratification

\_\_\_ SOC 318 Cases in International Social Conflict \_\_\_ SOC 423 Critical perspectives on the Child Welfare System

(or **I/ST 318**) \_\_\_ SOC 426 Sociology of Sexualities

\_\_\_ SOC 320 Sociology of Families \_\_\_ SOC 427 Social Movements and Activism

\_\_\_ SOC 325 Sociology of Gender (**or WGSS 325**) \_\_\_ SOC 430 Sociology of Globalization

\_\_\_ SOC 335 Social Psychology \_\_\_ SOC 436 Racism, Power, and Inequality

\_\_\_ SOC 340 The Latino Population in the U.S. **(or CHLS 350)**

\_\_\_ SOC 341 Central American and Caribbean Peoples \_\_\_ SOC 447 Sociology of Popular Culture

In California **(or** **CHLS 352**) \_\_\_ SOC 449 Sociology of Human Rights and Social Justice

\_\_\_ SOC 342 Critical Criminology \_\_\_ SOC 460 Poverty and Public Policy **[GE Writing Intensive]**

\_\_\_ SOC 345 Youth, Policing and Justice \_\_\_ SOC 462 Sociology of Health and Medicine

\_\_\_ SOC 346 Race, Gender and Class \_\_\_ SOC 463 Mental Health and Society

\_\_\_ SOC 353 Urban and Social Policy Analysis \_\_\_ SOC 464 Aging and Society

\_\_\_ SOC 465 Sociological Dimensions of Mortality and Bereavement

\_\_\_ SOC 466 AIDS and Society

\_\_\_ SOC 354 Qualitative Methods of Social Research \_\_\_ SOC 475 Religion and Social Change

\_\_\_ SOC 355 Quantitative Methods of Social Research \_\_\_ SOC 490 Selected Topics in Sociology

\_\_\_ SOC 358 The Sociology of Migration & Immigration \_\_\_ SOC 492 Selected Topics in Interaction and Group Relations

\_\_\_ SOC 405 Un-Imaging the Middle East **(or I/ST 405)** \_\_\_ SOC 493 Selected Topics in Medical Sociology

**[GE Writing Intensive]** \_\_\_ SOC 494 Special Topics in Social Change and Global Issues

\_\_\_ SOC 410 Environmental Sociology \_\_\_ SOC 495 Internship

* A Course meets only one requirement for the major (no double-counting within Sociology).
* Completion of at least 51 semester units of college work is required before students will be accepted into upper division courses.
* Total Credit for courses numbered SOC 495 through 499 combined may not exceed 6 units.