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Sociology Major Courses

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Major Courses	SEMESTER REQUIREMENT	QUARTER COURSE	NOTES
	SOC 1101 Orientation to the Sociology Major (1)	 Course will not be required for Fall 2025 and prior admits who change catalogs	Substitutions will be processed to fulfill the 1 semester unit
	SOC 1110 Comparative Societies (3)	 SOC 110 Comparative Societies (4)	4B GE on semesters D2 GE on quarters
	SOC 1111 Social Problems (3)	 SOC 111 Social Problems (4)	
	SOC 2216 US Race and Ethnic Relations (3)	 SOC 216 US Race and Ethnic Relations (4)	
	SOC 2218 International Political Economy (3)	 SOC 218 International Political Economy (4)	
	SOC 2222 Classical Social Theory (3)	 SOC 222 Classical Social Theory (4)	
	SOC/WGQS 3311 Sociology of Gender and Sexuality (4)	 SOC/WGQS 311 Sociology of Genders and Sexualities (4)	
	SOC 3353 Research Methods for Sociology (4)	 SOC 355 Quantitative Research Methods (4)	
	SOC 4461 Senior Project I (2)	 SOC 461 Senior Project I (2)	
	SOC 4462 Senior Project II (1)	 SOC 462 Senior Project II (2)	
	SOC 4464 Professional Development for Sociologists (1)	 SOC 464 Professional Development for Sociologists (1)	
	STAT 1110 Applied Statistical Concepts and Methods (3)	 Choose ONE from the following (4): STAT 217 Introduction to Statistical concepts and methods STAT 218 Applied Statistics for the Life Sciences	Area 2 GE on semesters B4 GE on quarters



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Major and Elective Courses

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	SEMESTER REQUIREMENT	QUARTER COURSE	NOTES
Writing-Intensive Sociology Elective	Choose ONE from the following (3): SOC 3315 Global Race and Ethnic Relations SOC 3321 Migration SOC 3326 Sociology of the Life Course SOC 3343 Sociology of the Global South	Choose ONE from the following (4): SOC 315 Global Race and Ethnic Relations SOC 321 Migration SOC 326 Sociology of the Life Course SOC 343 Sociology of the Global South	UD Area 4 GE on semesters UD D on quarters Courses used in other areas of the major or concentration cannot also be used here
SOC Electives	Choose any FIFTEEN semester units of SOC courses. At least 12 semester units must be upper division (3000-4000 level).	Choose any TWENTY FOUR quarter units of SOC courses. At least 18 quarter units must be upper division (300-400 level).	Courses used in other areas of the major or concentration cannot also be used here. Talk with your Major Advisor or CLA Advisor about total units and courses needed.
Lower Division Social Science Elective	Choose ONE lower division social science course from the following disciplines (3): ANT, ES, GEOG, SOC, POLS, PSY, WGQS	Choose ONE lower division social science course from the following disciplines (4): ANT, ES, GEOG, SOC, POLS, PSY, WGQS	Courses used in other areas of the major or concentration cannot also be used here
Concentration	Concentration Requirement Choose ONE from the following (16): Criminal Justice Organizations Social Services Social Justice Individualized Course of Study See SOC Concentration Guides on CLA Semester Conversion website for course requirements	Concentration Requirement Choose ONE from the following: Criminal Justice Organizations Social Services Individualized Course of Study See SOC Concentration Guides on CLA Semester Conversion website for course requirements	
Free Electives	FREE ELECTIVES	FREE ELECTIVES	Speak with a CLA Advisor to determine number of free electives required to meet the minimum 120 semester unit requirement.



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General Education (GE)

for SOCIOLOGY

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SEMESTER REQUIREMENT		QUARTER COURSE	NOTES
Lower Division GEs	1A: Written Communication (3)	➔ A2: Written Communication (4)	
	1B: Critical Thinking (3)	➔ A3: Critical Thinking (4)	
	1C: Oral Communication (3)	➔ A1: Oral Communication (4)	
	Area 2: Mathematics and Quantitative Reasoning STAT 1110 in support (3)	➔ B4: Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning STAT 217/218 in support (4)	Will be fulfilled with support course
	3A: Arts (3)	➔ C1: Arts - Arts, Cinema, Dance, Music, Theatre (4)	
	3B: Humanities - Literature, Philosophy, and Languages other than English (3)	➔ C2: Humanities - Literature, Philosophy, and Languages other than English (4)	
	4A: American Institutions (3)	➔ D1: American Institutions (4)	Area 4 includes two lower-division courses (4A and 4B) and one upper-division course (see Upper-Division Area 4 below). These three courses must come from at least two different course prefixes. 4A and 4B GE will be fulfilled with major course
	4B: Social and Behavioral Sciences SOC 1110 in the major (3)	➔ D2: Lower-Division D SOC 110 in the major (4)	
	5A: Physical Sciences (3)	➔ B1: Physical Sciences (4)	
	5B: Life Sciences (3)	➔ B2: Life Sciences (4)	
	5C: Laboratory (1) Embedded in a 5A or 5B	➔ B3: Laboratory (0) Embedded in a B1 or B2	
	Area 6: Ethnic Studies (3)	➔ Area F: Ethnic Studies (4)	
Upper Division GEs	Upper-Division Area 2 or Upper-Division Area 5 Mathematics and Quantitative Reasoning or Physical & and Life Sciences (3)	➔ Upper-Division B Scientific Inquiry and Quantitative Reasoning (4)	
	Upper-Division Area 3 Arts and Humanities (3)	➔ Upper-Division C Arts and Humanities (4)	
	Upper-Division Area 4 Social and Behavioral Sciences Writing-Intensive SOC Elective in the major. See 2026-2028 major semester equivalency guide for course options. (3)	➔ Upper-Division D Social Sciences Writing-Intensive SOC Elective in the major. See 2026-2028 major semester equivalency guide for course options and select a corresponding SOC quarter course. (4)	Area 4 includes two lower-division courses (4A and 4B) and one upper-division course. These three courses must come from at least two different course prefixes. UD 4 GE will be fulfilled with major course



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Note: the following GEs on the 22-26 catalog will not be required for student who switch to the 26-28 semester catalog: lower division C GE, Area E GE, GE Electives.



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SOC: Criminal Justice

Concentration Courses

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Concentration Courses	SEMESTER REQUIREMENT	QUARTER COURSE	NOTES
	SOC 3302 Criminology (4)	SOC 302 Criminology (4)	
	Choose ONE from the following (4): SOC 4402 Gender, Crime, and Violence SOC 4412 Contemporary Issues in Criminal Justice	Choose ONE from the following (4): SOC 402 Gender, Crime, and Violence SOC 412 Contemporary Issues in Criminal Justice	
	Choose EIGHT semester units from the following: POLS 3334 POLS 3343 POLS 3344 POLS/WGQS 4417 PSY 3352 PSY 3375 PSY/CD 4460 SOC 3303 SOC 3395 SOC 4406 SOC 4414 SOC 4440 SOC 4444 May choose one of the following: SOC 3310 COMS 3320 PSY 2252 PSY 3304 Or any course not taken from the list above	Choose TWELVE quarter units from the following: POLS 334 POLS 343 POLS 344 POLS/WGQS 417 PSY 352 PSY 375 PSY/CD 460 SOC 303 SOC 395 SOC 406 SOC 414 SOC 440 SOC 444 May choose one of the following: SOC 310 COMS 320 PSY 252 PSY 304 Or any course not taken from the list above	Talk with your Concentration Advisor or CLA Advisor about total units and courses needed if you are completing some of your concentration electives on quarters and the remaining electives on semesters.



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SOC: Organizations

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	Choose ONE from the following (4): SOC 3395 Sociology of Complex Organizations (4) SOC/WGQS 4423 Gender and Work (4)	Choose ONE from the following (4): SOC 395 Sociology of Complex Organizations (4) SOC/WGQS 423 Gender and Work (4)	
	Choose ONE from the following (3-4): SOC 3310 Self, Organizations, and Society COMS 3320 Intergroup Communication PSY 2252 Social Psychology	Choose ONE from the following (4): SOC 310 Self, Organizations and Society COMS 320 Intergroup Communication PSY 252 Social Psychology	
	Choose EIGHT - NINE semester units from the following, to equal 16 semester units in combination with the courses above: BUS 2207 BUS 3382 BUS 3384 BUS 4476 COMS 2213 COMS 2217 COMS 4413 ES/WGQS 3351 POLS 3315 POLS 3319 POLS 3351 PSY 3304 SOC 4412 SOC 4440 Or any course not taken from the lists above	Choose TWELVE - FOURTEEN quarter units from the following, to equal 16 semester units in combination with the courses above: BUS 207 BUS 382 BUS 384 BUS 476 COMS 213 COMS 217 COMS 413 ES/WGQS 351 POLS 315 POLS 319 POLS 351 PSY 304 SOC 412 SOC 440 Or any course not taken from the lists above	You must take at least 10 Upper Division units in concentration. If you take PSY 252/2252, then you need to take at least 6 units of UD courses for electives. Talk with your Concentration Advisor or CLA Advisor about total units and courses needed if you are completing some of your concentration electives on quarters and the remaining electives on semesters.



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SOC: Social Services Concentration Courses

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Concentration Courses	SEMESTER REQUIREMENT	QUARTER COURSE	NOTES
	SOC 3303 Social Work, Social Advocacy, and Social Service Agencies (4)	SOC 301 Social Work and Social Welfare Institutions (4)	
	SOC 4414 Theories of Social Work in Counseling Agencies (4)	SOC 414 Theories of Social Work in Counseling Agencies (4)	
	Choose EIGHT semester units (2-3 courses) from the following: CD/PSY 3306 ES 3340 ES/WGQS 3350 POLS 3310 POLS 3343 POLS 4419 POLS 4458 POLS 4459 PSY 3310 PSY 3318 PSY 3330 SOC 3305 SOC 3306 SOC 3310 SOC 3327 SOC 4402 SOC 4406 SOC 4412 SOC 4420 SOC 4435 SOC 4440 WGQS 3301 WGQS/RELS 3370 WGQS 4401 WGQS 4450	Choose TWELVE quarter units from the following: CD/PSY 306 ES 340 ES/WGQS 350 POLS 310 POLS 343 POLS 419 POLS 471 POLS 459 PSY 310 PSY 318 PSY 330 SOC 305 SOC 306 SOC 310 SOC 327 SOC 402 SOC 406 SOC 412 SOC 420 SOC 435 SOC 440 WGQS 301 WGQS/RELS 370 WGQS 401 WGQS 450	Talk with your Concentration Advisor or CLA Advisor about total units and courses needed if you are completing some of your concentration electives on quarters and the remaining electives on semesters.



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SOC: Social Justice Concentration Courses

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	Choose SIX-EIGHT semester units from the following: SOC 3305 SOC 3308 SOC 3315 SOC 3321 SOC 3327 SOC 3343 SOC 4402 SOC 4431 SOC 4433 SOC 4435 SOC 4444	Choose NINE-TWELVE quarter units from the following: SOC 305 SOC 308 SOC 315 SOC 321 SOC 327 SOC 343 SOC 402 SOC 431 SOC 435 SOC 444	Talk with your Concentration Advisor or CLA Advisor about total units and courses needed if you are completing some of your concentration electives on quarters and the remaining electives on semesters.
	Choose EIGHT-TEN semester units from the following, to equal 16 semester units in combination with the courses above: GEOG 3325 GEOG 3350 SOC 4440 Or any course not taken from list above	Choose TWELVE-FIFTEEN quarter units from the following, to equal 16 semester units in combination with the courses above: GEOG 325 GEOG 350 SOC 440 Or any course not taken from list above	Talk with your Concentration Advisor or CLA Advisor about total units and courses needed if you are completing some of your concentration electives on quarters and the remaining electives on semesters.



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SOC: Individualized Course of Study

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Concentration Courses

An Individualized Course of Study (ICS) consists of **16 semester units** of coursework to be selected by the student in consultation with and approved by a faculty advisor. **At least 10 of the 16 units must be at the 3000-4000 (upper-division) level.** The student must also provide a written justification for the courses and the way they constitute a cohesive, integrated course of study. The list of courses is a contract between the student and the Department.

See course conversion guide at semester.calpoly.edu for semester versions of your approved ICS courses (available winter 2026)

Consult with Concentration Advisor to confirm total units.



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