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Social Sciences Department

SOCIOLOGY MINOR

The minor provides students with a broad understanding of contemporary society with a focus on the analysis of social change. The objectives of the program are to increase awareness of the: (1) nature of international social, economic and political structures and their consequences; (2) social results of emerging technology; (3) changes in family life, especially the role of women; and (4) changing ethnic mix in California and the United States and its implications. Coursework includes the study of the shifting demographic patterns in society, emerging life styles, the increase in the percentage of elderly in the population, and the nature of specific subculture influences.

Required courses	Unit
SOC 110 Comparative Societies (D3)	4
SOC 111 Social Problems	4
SOC 309 World Systems and Its Problems	4
SOC 315 Global Race & Ethnic Relations (D5) or	
SOC 316 American Ethic Minorities (USCP)	4
SOC 323 Social Stratification	4
Approved Electives	8
(At least 4 units at 300–400 level)	
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