**SOCIOLOGY**

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Large-scale societal change begins with individuals like you — hungry for knowledge and ready to make a real difference; in the Department of Sociology you will study the inner workings of society with a focus on either Inequalities or Global Sociology.

Sociologists explore human social life at every level, from personal relationships to global society. Major topics of study include inequality, social movements, criminology, race and class relations, gender, social institutions such as religion and education, and fundamental population processes like immigration and mortality. Sociologists use a range of methods and theories to develop and evaluate ideas about social life.

As a student of Sociology, you will train in research methods and become fluent in social statistics while understanding the complexity of societal diversity and social change. These skills are usable in a wide variety of work settings and are skills that employers value.

Recent graduates have pursued careers with the FBI, as Human Resource Specialists, with non-profit organizations, as police officers, and have earned advanced degrees in Social Work, Sociology, Law, Medicine and more. The career paths of Sociology alumni are as diverse as our student population - who represent the best and the brightest from a variety of backgrounds.

Each student should see a sociology departmental adviser at least once a year to choose sociology courses and supporting course work, and to monitor progress.

**Major in Sociology**

**Major in Sciences and Letters Curriculum**  
E-mail: soc@illinois.edu

Degree title: Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Arts and Sciences

Minimum required major and supporting course work equates to 44 hours including 32 hours of Sociology courses.

General education: Students must complete the Campus General Education [https://courses.illinois.edu](https://courses.illinois.edu) requirements including the campus general education language requirement.

Twelve hours of 300- or 400-level courses in the major must be taken on this campus.

A Major Plan of Study Form must be completed and submitted to the LAS Student Academic Affairs Office before the end of the fifth semester (60-75 hours). Please see your adviser.

Minimum hours required for graduation: 120 hours.

Departmental distinction: In order to achieve distinction, high distinction, or highest distinction, a sociology major must meet the following requirements:

- Have completed SOC 490 or SOC 495
- Attain a UIUC GPA of 3.25 or higher

- If both these requirements are met, then the MAJOR GPA distributes as follows:
  - 3.25 – Distinction
  - 3.50 – High Distinction
  - 3.75 – Highest Distinction

**SOC 100**  
Introduction to Sociology  
4

**SOC 200**  
Intro to Sociological Theory  
3

**SOC 280**  
Intro to Social Statistics  
4

**SOC 380**  
Social Research Methods  
4

Select one of the following:

- **SOC 480**  
Methods of Field Research  
3
- **SOC 481**  
Survey Research  
2-14
- **SOC 485**  
Intermediate Social Statistics  
4
- **SOC 488**  
Demographic Methods  
12

1. If a statistics course is taken outside the Department of Sociology, that course does not count toward the 32 hours of Sociology courses.

2. Supporting course work is designed to expand the student’s education in the social sciences. All supporting course work is taken outside the Department of Sociology. A student may take supporting course work from one department, such as psychology, economics, history or statistics, or from a cohesive selection of courses in a variety of departments. With an adviser’s approval, departmental or interdisciplinary minors, or a double major may be used to fulfill the requirements of supporting course work.

**Minor in Sociology**

A minor in sociology requires that students learn the basic theoretical and methodological approaches in sociology. Students must also learn about the substance of sociology in some depth and are thus required to take at least two sociology courses at an advanced level and a total of at least 18 hours of sociology courses. The course work must include the requirements listed below.

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**SOC 100**  
Introduction to Sociology  
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**SOC 200**  
Intro to Sociological Theory  
3

**SOC 280**  
Intro to Social Statistics  
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At least two Sociology courses at the 300- or 400-level  
6

Elective Sociology hours, as needed to fill the 18-hour requirement  
3-6

Total Hours  
18

1. If a statistics course is taken outside the Department of Sociology, that course does not count toward the 18 hours of Sociology courses.

[SOC Class Schedule](https://courses.illinois.edu/schedule/DEFAULT/DEFAULT/SOC)

*Information listed in this catalog is current as of 03/2016*
### Courses

**SOC 100  Introduction to Sociology  credit: 4 Hours.**
Examination of how societies grow and change; reciprocal effects of economic, political, community, familial, and scientific institutions on each other and on individual life changes; and social conflict, problems of bureaucratic growth and planned and unplanned social change. This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for:

- UIUC: Social Sciences

**SOC 101  Sociology of Gender  credit: 3 Hours.**
An exploration of current questions of gender and their applications to students today. The course will focus primarily on the United States emphasizing individual, interactional, and institutional aspects of the social world. Topics for study include sociological research on femininities, masculinities, gendered bodies, socialization, work, family, politics, sport, and sexualities.

**SOC 108  Religion & Society in West I  credit: 3 Hours.**
Same as ANTH 108, PHIL 108, and RLST 108. See RLST 108. This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for:

- UIUC: HistPhilosoph Perspect
- UIUC: Western Compartv Cult

**SOC 109  Religion & Society in West II  credit: 3 Hours.**
Same as ANTH 109, PHIL 109, and RLST 109. See RLST 109. This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for:

- UIUC: HistPhilosoph Perspect
- UIUC: Western Compartv Cult

**SOC 122  Africa in World Perspective  credit: 3 Hours.**
Examination of Africa in the context of the world-economy, with particular attention placed upon enduring cultural and material relationships with Europe and North America. This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for:

- UIUC: Non-Western Cultures
- UIUC: Social Sciences

**SOC 124  Asian American Cultures  credit: 3 Hours.**
Same as AAS 184 and ANTH 184. See ANTH 184. This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for:

- UIUC: Social Sciences
- UIUC: US Minority Culture(s)

**SOC 130  Intro Gender & Women's Studies  credit: 3 Hours.**
Same as GWS 100 and HDFS 140. See GWS 100. This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for:

- UIUC: Social Sciences

**SOC 152  The New Middle East  credit: 3 Hours.**
Same as PS 152 and SAME 152. See SAME 152. This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for:

- UIUC: Non-Western Cultures
- UIUC: Social Sciences

**SOC 160  Global Ineq and Social Change  credit: 3 Hours.**
Introduces sociological concepts of poverty, inequality, and social change within a global context. Themes explored include basic food security, poverty and hunger; population and resource distribution; foreign aid and development institutions; and social policies and movements for change. Course approach is historical and transnational, and typically includes case studies from Africa, Asia, Latin America, and the United States. This course can be used to fulfill either Western or Nonwestern general education categories, but not both. This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for:

- UIUC: Non-Western Cultures
- UIUC: Social Sciences
- UIUC: Western Compartv Cult

**SOC 162  Intro to Intl Health Policy  credit: 3 Hours.**
Introduces students to international health policy. Students will learn about data sources, basic analytical techniques, and theoretical frameworks for understanding international health policy. From a sociological perspective, students will explore why health issues are essential components to discussion of globalization, immigration, and migration. Students also will learn how health policy and foreign policy decisions in the developed world influence health policy and health care delivery in the developing world.

This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for:

- UIUC: Social Sciences
- UIUC: Western Compartv Cult

**SOC 179  Social Organization  credit: 3 Hours.**
Beginning with an examination of various examples of organizing, from street gangs to industrial corporations and modern universities, this course will discuss common patterns in organizational phenomena. Basic conceptual frameworks will be provided in the context of contemporary and local problems, illustrating the core issues. This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for:

- UIUC: Social Sciences

**SOC 196  Issues in Sociology  credit: 3 Hours.**
Origin of problems; consequences of ameliorative strategies. Typical topics include crime, mental illness, drug use, suicide, sexual behavior, violence, and intergroup conflict. May be repeated as topics vary.

**SOC 199  Undergraduate Open Seminar  credit: 1 to 5 Hours.**
Approved for both letter and S/U grading. May be repeated.

**SOC 200  Intro to Sociological Theory  credit: 3 Hours.**
Analysis of such classical theorists as Marx, Weber, Durkheim, and Mead and contemporary theorists. Prerequisite: Sophomore standing.

**SOC 201  Race, Gender & Power  credit: 3 Hours.**
Same as GWS 201. See GWS 201. This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for:

- UIUC: Social Sciences

**SOC 202  Sexualities  credit: 3 Hours.**
Same as GWS 202. See GWS 202. This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for:

- UIUC: Social Sciences

**SOC 202  Mexican & Latin Am Migration  credit: 3 Hours.**
Same as LLS 220. See LLS 220. This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for:

- UIUC: Social Sciences

**SOC 222  Introduction to Modern Africa  credit: 3 Hours.**
Same as AFST 222, ANTH 222, and PS 242. See AFST 222. This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for:

- UIUC: Non-Western Cultures
SOC 223  Black Women Contemp US Society  credit: 3 Hours.  
Same as AFRO 226 and GWS 226. See AFRO 226.

SOC 224  Asian Am Historical Sociology  credit: 3 Hours.  
Same as AAS 224. See AAS 224. 
This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for: 
UIUC: US Minority Culture(s)

SOC 225  Race and Ethnicity  credit: 3 Hours.  
Sociological and social-psychological analysis of minority groups; 
illustrative material drawn from representative racial, ethnic, and status 
groups. Same as AFRO 225. Prerequisite: SOC 100.

SOC 226  Political Sociology  credit: 3 Hours.  
Study of power relations within and between the state, bureaucracy, 
community, social classes, and elites in the United States and other 
countries.

SOC 227  Latina/Latinos in Contemp US  credit: 3 Hours.  
Examines the incorporation of the major Latina/Latino subgroups into 
United States society, surveys the major theoretical approaches that 
have been used in the social sciences to explain majority-Latino relations, 
and provides an empirical overview of how major social institutions affect 
the daily lives of Latina/Latinos. Same as LLS 227. Prerequisite: LLS 100 or SOC 100, or consent of instructor. 
This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for: 
UIUC: US Minority Culture(s)

SOC 249  Sport & Modern Society  credit: 3 Hours.  
Same as KIN 249. See KIN 249.
This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for: 
UIUC: Social Sciences

SOC 255  Queer Lives, Queer Politics  credit: 3 Hours.  
Same as GWS 255. See GWS 255.

SOC 261  Gender Transnatl Perspective  credit: 3 Hours.  
Examines how gender inequality is structured on a transnational 
level. Emphasis will be placed on the interactive relationship among 
various countries, and how globalization promotes racial, ethnic, sexual, 
and national hierarchies among women, in both newly and advanced 
industrialized countries. Same as GWS 261. Prerequisite: SOC 100 or consent of instructor. 
This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for: 
UIUC: Social Sciences

SOC 267  Pan Africanism  credit: 3 Hours.  
Same as AFRO 243, AFST 243, and PS 243. See PS 243. 
This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for: 
UIUC: Non-Western Cultures 
UIUC: Social Sciences

SOC 269  Food, Culture, and Society  credit: 3 Hours.  
Same as ANTH 209. See ANTH 209.
This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for: 
UIUC: Social Sciences

SOC 270  Population Issues  credit: 3 Hours.  
Examines the current world population situation; the historical and 
current patterns of birth, death, migration, marriage, contraception, 
and abortion; and the world food and energy resources, crowding, and 
problems of overpopulation. Same as RSOC 270. 
This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for: 
UIUC: Social Sciences

SOC 273  Social Persp on the Family  credit: 3 Hours.  
Examines the societal forces shaping aspects of stable and changing 
family relations in the U. S. and other countries; focuses on social-
structural factors affecting marriage, divorce, co-habitation, child-bearing, 
the division of work and authority, and other features of life. Prerequisite: SOC 100. 
This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for: 
UIUC: Social Sciences

SOC 274  Intro to Medical Sociology  credit: 3 Hours.  
Sociology of health and illness behavior and the social structure of 
systems which deliver health care services; includes social constraints 
on illness, the illness role, medical organizations and professions; 
and the application of the illness model to deviant forms of behavior. 
Prerequisite: SOC 100.

SOC 278  Mapping Latina/o Inequalities  credit: 3 Hours.  
Same as LLS 278. See LLS 278.

SOC 280  Intro to Social Statistics  credit: 4 Hours.  
First course in social statistics for students without mathematics 
beyond the high school level; topics include the role of statistics in 
social science inquiry, measures of central tendency and dispersion, 
simple correlation techniques, contingency analysis, and introduction to 
statistical inference; includes the statistical analysis of social science 
data using personal computers. Same as GEOG 280. Credit is not given 
for SOC 280 if credit for a college level introductory statistics course has 
been earned. 
This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for: 
UIUC: Quant Reasoning I

SOC 287  Environment and Society  credit: 3 Hours.  
Same as ESE 287, GEOG 287, PS 273 and NRES 287. See NRES 287. 
This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for: 
UIUC: Social Sciences 
UIUC: Western Compartv Cult

SOC 300  Attitude Theory and Change  credit: 3 Hours.  
Same as MACS 352 and PSYC 352. See PSYC 352.

SOC 310  Sociology of Deviance  credit: 3 Hours.  
Study of traits, conditions, actions, and behaviors that violate social 
norms and elicit negative societal reactions. Explores social, cultural 
and individual factors in the etiology of deviance; the establishment 
and maintenance of deviant categories; the motivations behind deviant 
behavior; the identification as deviant of individuals and of particular 
segments of society, by formal and informal means; the effects of 
institutionalization and social control upon the deviant; and the efforts 
of deviants to eradicate the label society has placed upon them. 
Prerequisite: SOC 100.

SOC 320  Queer Theory  credit: 3 Hours.  
Same as GWS 370. See GWS 370.

SOC 321  Gender & Latina/o Migration  credit: 3 Hours.  
Same as LLS 320 and GWS 320. See LLS 320.

SOC 322  Gender, Relationships & Society  credit: 3 Hours.  
Same as GWS 340 and HDFS 340. See HDFS 340.
SOC 325  Black Men and Masculinities  credit: 3 Hours.
Same as AFRO 342. See AFRO 342.

SOC 328  Asian Americans & Inequalities  credit: 3 Hours.
An examination of various forms of social inequality between Asian Americans and other groups as well as among Asian Americans, including those based on race, gender, class, citizenship and sexuality. Same as AAS 328. Prerequisite: SOC 100 or AAS 100 are recommended.

SOC 345  Digital & Gender Cultures  credit: 3 Hours.
Same as GWS 345, INFO 345, and MACS 345. See GWS 345.

SOC 350  Technology and Society  credit: 3 Hours.
Examines the social and cultural origins of modern technology and technological innovation; the effects of technology and its change on society. Topics include the impact of technology on beliefs and values, accommodation and resistance to change, and technology and the Third World.

This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for:
UIUC: Social Sciences

SOC 351  Social Aspects of Media  credit: 3 Hours.
Same as MACS 351. See MACS 351.

SOC 355  Race and Mixed Race  credit: 3 Hours.
Same as AAS 355 and LLS 355. See LLS 355.

SOC 364  Impacts of Globalization  credit: 3 Hours.
Introduces sociological theory and research on globalization, in debate with the literature on modernization, world-systems, and development/underdevelopment. Explores recent economic, political, and cultural change at macro-sociological level. Themes include: global governance and world society, global diffusion of American culture, global capitalism, and new forms of social resistance. Prerequisite: SOC 100 or consent of instructor.

SOC 365  Contemporary Korean Society  credit: 3 Hours.
Same as EALC 365. See EALC 365.

This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for:
UIUC: Non-Western Cultures
UIUC: Social Sciences

SOC 366  Postsocialism Eastern Europe  credit: 3 Hours.
Examines the sociological realities of state socialism and postsocialism in Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union. Prerequisite: SOC 100 or HIST 142, or PS 100, or any REES course.

This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for:
UIUC: Social Sciences
UIUC: Western Compartv Cult

SOC 367  Globalization Dynamics Debates  credit: 3 Hours.
Study of the multidimensional character of globalization. Discussion of key processes of globalization and areas of consensus and controversy in the literature, including major current controversies such as are we headed for a global monoculture; what is the relationship between globalization and neoliberal capitalism; which trend is more significant, globalization or empire? Discussions on scenarios and policy options of global futures.

SOC 373  Social Stratification  credit: 3 Hours.
Inequities in power, prestige, income, privilege, and lifestyles in the United States and other countries; class and status as determinants of group interests, ideologies, and interaction; and effects of social change and mobility. Prerequisite: SOC 100.

This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for:
UIUC: Social Sciences

SOC 374  Immigrants in the U.S.  credit: 3 Hours.
The change in origin country composition of U.S. immigrants changed dramatically post-1965 from what it was in the early twentieth century and this shift has generated much public and policy concern over the ‘new’ immigrants and their prospects for economic mobility and integration. Since immigration shows no signs of slowing down, its causes and consequences remain some of the most important topics of the 21st century. Some of the questions considered in this course include: Why do immigrants come to the U.S.; Is the average human capital level of immigrants declining?; Are the new immigrants assimilating into U.S. society and what does that mean? Also examines the economic impact of immigration and considers appropriate policy recommendations such as whether the U.S. should adopt a skill-based point system to regulate immigration. Prerequisite: SOC 100.

SOC 378  Law and Society  credit: 3 Hours.
Examination of law and legal institutions sociologically. We begin with an introduction to theoretical perspectives on the problem of order, illustrated by juxtaposing formal law with other means of achieving order. Next, we consider law and legal systems in action, including relations between law and the economy, stratification, culture, ideology and social change. Finally, we investigate the relationship between law's aims and principles, and law's real-world implementation.

SOC 380  Social Research Methods  credit: 4 Hours.
Introduction to the foundations of social research and to the major types of research methods employed in sociology. Provides exposure to the major tools and terminology of social research, including the use of computers in sociology. Topics include: research design, finding and using sociology literature, measurement, sampling, survey research, field methods, use of available data, quantitative data analysis and presentation, and computer resources for research. Prerequisite: SOC 100 and SOC 280.

This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for:
UIUC: Quant Reasoning II

SOC 382  Social Psych Methods Lab  credit: 4 Hours.
Same as PSYC 332. See PSYC 332.

SOC 387  Race, Gender and the Body  credit: 3 Hours.
Same as LLS 387. See LLS 387.

SOC 390  Individual Study  credit: 1 to 6 Hours.
Individual study or research project. May be repeated. Prerequisite: Six hours of sociology; written consent of instructor on form available in the Sociology Department Office.

SOC 392  Chicanas&Latinas: Self&Society  credit: 3 Hours.
Same as GWS 392 and LLS 392. See LLS 392.

This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for:
UIUC: Advanced Composition

SOC 396  Special Topics in Sociology  credit: 3 Hours.
May be repeated if topics vary. Prerequisite: SOC 100 and consent of instructor.

SOC 400  Internships  credit: 0 to 3 Hours.
Selected internship opportunities in which student and faculty member develop a program of study and research related to internship. Consult departmental undergraduate advisor. 0 to 3 undergraduate hours. No graduate credit. Approved for letter and S/U grading. May be repeated to a maximum of 6 hours. Prerequisite: Junior or senior standing; SOC 100, and six additional hours in Sociology or acceptance of faculty member and Director of Undergraduate Studies.

SOC 410  Labor and the European Union  credit: 4 Hours.
Same as EURO 410 and LER 410. See LER 410.
SOC 420  Sociology of Education  credit: 2 to 4 Hours.
Same as EPS 420. See EPS 420.

SOC 421  Racial and Ethnic Families  credit: 2 to 4 Hours.
Same as AFRO 421, EPS 421, and HDFS 424. See EPS 421.

SOC 422  European Working Class History  credit: 2 to 4 Hours.
Same as HIST 450 and LER 450. See HIST 450.

SOC 426  Race, Ed Pol, and Soc Science  credit: 3 or 4 Hours.
Examination of the origins and development of sociology as a discipline, as related to the sociology of education, and the reproduction of social and racial inequality. The course focuses on four issues: the production of racial inequality in social scientific knowledge, the role that social science plays in reproducing societal patterns of race, class, and gender inequality, the development of sociology and education in the United States and Africa, and the development of American social science and the reproduction of global inequality. Same as EPS 422. 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours. Prerequisite: SOC 100 or consent of instructor.

SOC 447  Environmental Sociology  credit: 3 or 4 Hours.
Examination of historical and modern consequences of environmental alteration and pollution and resource limitations on human populations in the context of various social change theories. Explores the environmental movement, population explosion, the "limits to growth debate," and the impacts of environmental change on food production, land, and water quality. Same as ENVS 447 and RSOC 447. 3 undergraduate hours. 3 or 4 graduate hours. Prerequisite: SOC 100, RSOC 110, or equivalent; and SOC 380 or equivalent; or consent of instructor.

SOC 451  Climate & Social Vulnerability  credit: 3 or 4 Hours.
Same as ATMS 446 and GEOG 496. See GEOG 496.

SOC 464  Comm in Env Social Movements  credit: 3 Hours.
Same as AGCM 430, ENVS 430, and NRES 430. See AGCM 430.

SOC 470  Social Movements  credit: 2 to 4 Hours.
Origins and development of groups in promoting and resisting change, resource mobilization, strategies and tactics, individual and social consequences. 3 undergraduate hours. 2 or 4 graduate hours. Prerequisite: SOC 100 or six hours of anthropology, social geography, political science, or sociology.

SOC 471  Collective Action & Revolution  credit: 3 or 4 Hours.
Contemporary theory and research on the life course of social gatherings ranging from small scale and local to nationwide collective actions by people in pursuit of social and political change. Discusses the logic of practice in political, religious and street crowds; collective action of disperse people; and broad-based revolutionary mobilizations. Cases include pre-modern and modern movements from the western and non-western societies. 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours. Prerequisite: SOC 200, or equivalent, or consent of instructor.

SOC 472  Urban Communities & Public Pol  credit: 3 or 4 Hours.
Same as AFRO 481 and UP 481. See AFRO 481.

SOC 473  Immigration, Health & Society  credit: 3 or 4 Hours.
Same as CHLH 473, LLS 473, and SOCW 473. See LLS 473.

SOC 474  Population Trends and Patterns  credit: 3 or 4 Hours.
Introduction to contemporary demographic patterns and their historical development; transition theory and other models of demographic change; components of population growth and distribution; and trends and differentials in mortality and fertility. 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours.

SOC 476  Organization of Health Care  credit: 2 to 4 Hours.
Same as CHLH 456. See CHLH 456.

SOC 477  Sociology of Law  credit: 2 to 4 Hours.
Social origins and consequences of law and legal process, emphasizing problems of legal change and structure and function of legal sanctions. Law and law-like phenomena in primitive and modern societies. 3 undergraduate hours. 2 or 4 graduate hours. Prerequisite: SOC 100 or six hours of anthropology, social geography, political science, or sociology. This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for: UIUC: Advanced Composition

SOC 478  Geography of Health Care  credit: 3 or 4 Hours.
Same as GEOG 438. See GEOG 438.

SOC 480  Methods of Field Research  credit: 2 to 4 Hours.
Instruction, training, and supervised practice in methods of field research as a basic tool of sociology; emphasis on the role of the field researcher as participant, observer, and interviewer in various kinds of research settings, and on approaches to and applications of field data. 3 undergraduate hours. 2 or 4 graduate hours. Prerequisite: SOC 380 or consent of instructor.

SOC 481  Survey Research  credit: 3 or 4 Hours.
Principles and applications of social science survey research methods; class project designing and conducting a sample survey; training and experience in analysis of survey data; sampling, questionnaire construction, interviewing and data reduction, and file management; and direct use of the computer in survey data analysis. 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours. Prerequisite: SOC 380 or consent of instructor.

SOC 483  Mid East Societies & Cultures  credit: 3 Hours.
Overview of the contemporary Middle East from social, political, and cultural perspectives. Explores how the internal dynamics together with the forces of globalization shape the societies of the Middle East today. Topics include social structure, political dynamics, family, gender, urban life Islam, social and religious movements. 3 undergraduate hours. 3 graduate hours. Prerequisite: SOC 100 or six hours of Anthropology, Social Geography, Politics, or Sociology.

SOC 484  African Urbanization  credit: 3 or 4 Hours.
Examines the causes and consequences of African urbanization in historical perspective. The course will engage with various academic theories of urbanization and seek situate the numerous topics and readings among ongoing debates. However, its substantive focus will be devoted entirely to Africa. Same as AFST 484. 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours.

SOC 485  Intermediate Social Statistics  credit: 3 or 4 Hours.
Intermediate course in the theory and application of statistical methods to social science data. Coverage includes overviews of measurement issues, the logic of hypothesis testing and estimation, the general linear model, one-way analysis of variance, correlation and regression. The core of the course is multiple regression analysis and its extensions. Topics include dummy variable analysis, statistical interaction, model assumptions and violations, non-linear and logistic regression, and an introduction to path analysis. Emphasis on the application of statistical computing packages (e. g. SPSS) and the substantive interpretation of results. 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours. Credit is not given for both SOC 485 and another course with a primary focus on applied multiple regression analysis such as ECON 203, STAT 420, or PSYC 406. Graduate students must incorporate research literature involving statistical analysis from their discipline into their assignments and class discussions. Prerequisite: SOC 280 or equivalent.
SOC 488  Demographic Methods  credit: 3 or 4 Hours.
Introduction to statistical and mathematical procedures in population
analysis; the gathering, processing, and evaluating of registration and
census data; the life table model; and procedures of mortality and fertility
analysis and population projections. 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate
hours. Prerequisite: SOC 380 or consent of instructor.
This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for:
UIUC: Quant Reasoning II

SOC 490  Advanced Independent Study  credit: 3 Hours.
3 undergraduate hours. No graduate credit. May be repeated.
Prerequisite: Open only to seniors in the sociology major who have
an overall GPA of 3.25 or higher and therefore may be eligible for
departmental distinction; obtain written consent of instructor on form
available in the Sociology Department Office.

SOC 493  Democracy and Environment  credit: 3 or 4 Hours.
Same as GEOG 493, NRES 494, UP 493. See GEOG 493.

SOC 495  Senior Honors Seminar  credit: 3 Hours.
Intensive scrutiny of current literature on one selected topic. Critical
reading and discussion followed by writing essays and research
proposals. Subject will shift yearly. There may be community work
as an aspect of this course; consult the Class Schedule for details. 3
undergraduate hours. No graduate credit. May be repeated to a maximum
of 6 hours. Prerequisite: For sociology majors only. Student must have
at least 3.5 grade-point average in sociology courses and consent of
instructor.

SOC 496  Advanced Special Topics  credit: 3 Hours.
3 undergraduate hours. No graduate credit. May be repeated if topics
vary. Prerequisite: SOC 100 or six hours of anthropology, social
geography, political science, or sociology.