

## **Frequently Asked Questions for Sociology Majors**

California State University, Sacramento

### **How many sociology courses that I took at community college can I count toward the 43 units in the sociology major?**

Two courses (6 units). Introductory sociology and one other sociology course.

### **Do sociology courses count for GE?**

Nine units of sociology courses may be counted toward General Education requirements (i.e. be counted for both).

### **What do I have to do to graduate?**

Three things: complete 120 units, complete the requirements for the major, and complete the General Education requirements.

### **The lower division sociology course I took at community college isn't offered at Sacramento State--does it count here?**

Yes; we look for an Introductory course and "one other" lower division sociology course.

### **Is the statistics class I took at community college (or other CSU) equivalent to soc 101?**

In most cases, No. If the course was in the Sociology department, then possibly, but you need to check with the CSUS Sociology department.

### **If I take more than one course in the advanced study (core elective) category, can the extra(s) be counted as electives under category C?**

Yes.

### **Are sociology courses offered during intersession and summer session? If so, which ones?**

Yes. Courses offered are primarily category C electives. Lab courses (101, 102A, 102B) are not offered, and other core courses (125, 150, 192) are rarely offered.

### **Can 102A be taken at the same time as 101 (or 102B at the same time as 102A)?**

No, they must be taken in sequence—101, then 102A, then 102B.

**Do I have to take a course from each group in category C?**

No, five courses from the whole list is what we want.

**Can I take classes in other departments as part of my 43 unit sociology major?**

Generally no, but check with your sociology advisor.

**Do I need to have a concentration?**

No.

**If I choose to declare a concentration, will it show on my graduation diploma?**

No.

**Does sociology have writing intensive classes?**

Yes, Sociology 168 (Self and Society), and Sociology 176 (Labor Studies).  
You must pass the WPE first.

**What is my catalog year?**

Generally speaking, you have a choice of using the catalog for the year that you entered college (2 year or 4 year), the year that you transferred to CSU, or the year you graduate.

**Are there prerequisites for any sociology courses aside from 101 for 102A and 102A for 102B?**

It is generally assumed that Introductory sociology will be completed before any upper division courses (100 level) are taken.

**I love 195 and 199 courses—how many units can I take for my sociology major?**

Three units may be counted toward the major. More can be counted toward the 120 needed for graduation but not for the major.

**Do I have to take 195 and/or 199?**

No.

**Do I need a minor?**

No.