

SOCIOLOGY | BACHELOR OF ARTS: SOCIOLOGY

The field of sociology encompasses the study of social life as well as the social causes and consequences of human behavior. The Bachelor of Arts (BS) in Sociology offers you a broad academic program that can lead you to a variety of careers in sociology (<https://www.fhsu.edu/sociology/careers/index/>).

The BA in Sociology is *available completely online* - same classes, same faculty, but accessible to you wherever you are in the world. If you are interested in pursuing the online BA in Sociology, learn what it takes to be an online sociology major (<https://www.fhsu.edu/sociology/online-learning/index/>) at Fort Hays State University. Be sure to visit FHSU Online (<https://www.fhsu.edu/online/index/>) Web site for admissions and tuition.

Program Summary

Code	Title	Hours
	General Education	34
	Bachelor of Arts Language Requirement	10
	Sociology Major Core Courses	21
Directed Electives		
	Upper-Level Sociology Elective	15
	Open Electives ¹	40
Total Hours		120

¹ Open electives are the credit hours required to reach a minimum of 120 total hours and 45 upper-level hours. The number listed assumes all courses are completed at FHSU as listed. This number may vary if students transfer courses, or have individual substitutions allowed.

Students should speak with their advisor if either situation applies to determine if the number will vary, and to ensure they enroll in a minimum of 45 upper-level hours.

Students entering within 1 year of high school graduation will take UNIV 101 Freshman Seminar and may apply that hour in the open elective category.

Program Requirements

General Education

All undergraduate degrees require completion of the Kansas Systemwide General Education (<https://catalog.fhsu.edu/general-education/>).

Courses identified with ^{GE} on this page may satisfy a general education requirement in addition to the identified degree requirement. Students who apply a degree requirement to satisfy a general education requirement will typically add an equal number of hours to the university elective category. This flexibility may allow you to complete a minor or certificate within the 120 hour degree. Transfer students and students majoring in programs with approved exceptions (<https://www.fhsu.edu/general-education/documents/fhsu-gen-ed-transfer-exceptions-explainer1.pdf>) are especially encouraged to select these courses in completing General Education requirements to maximize the likelihood of completing the degree with 120 credit hours.

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General Education		34-35

BA Language Requirement

All FHSU students pursuing a BA degree are required to take two consecutive non-English language classes. Students taking beginning Spanish or French classes may be able to apply the first class to the Arts and Humanities area of the general education requirement.

Code	Title	Hours
Bachelor of Arts Language Requirement		10

Code	Title	Hours
Sociology Major Core Courses		

SOC 140	Understanding Society: Introductory Sociology ^{GE}	3
SOC 145	Cultural Anthropology ^{GE}	3
SOC 361	Sociological Theory and Literature	3
SOC 362	Methods of Social Research	3
SOC 470	Grant Writing	3
SOC 472	Social Inequality	3
SOC 621	Advanced Sociological Research	3

Upper Division Elective

Select 15 credits of the following: 15

(Any department course not applied to another requirement)

Courses typically applied include:

SOC 310	Gender and Society	
SOC 311	Feminist Theory	
SOC 320	Sociology Through Cinema	
SOC 325	Popular Culture	
SOC 333	Global Forces in a Changing World	
SOC 335	Changing Faces of Culture	
SOC 344	Social Deviance	
SOC 348	Topics in Sociology	
SOC 350	Family Communication	
SOC 352	Stepfamilies	
SOC 355	Sociology of Death and Dying	
SOC/SOCW 366	Introduction to Addictions	
SOC/SOCW 367	Individual Counseling in Addictions	
SOC/SOCW 368	Client Management Procedures	
SOC/SOCW 369	Pharmacology and High Risk Medical Issues	
SOC/SOCW 370	Addictions Counseling with Families	
SOC/SOCW 371	Ethics in Addictions Counseling	
SOC/SOCW 372	Psychopathology and Addictions	
SOC/SOCW 373	Group Counseling with Addiction Populations	
SOC 375	Medical Sociology	
SOC 376	Diversity in the United States	
SOC/SOCW 377	Addictions Practicum I	
SOC/SOCW 378	Addictions Practicum II	
SOC 384	Social Problems	
SOC 388	Sociology of the Family in America	
SOC 399	Sociology Elective	

SOC 436	Social Demography
SOC 460	Comparative Cultures and Societies
SOC 466	Sociology of Sexual Behavior
SOC 475	Rural and Urban Sociology
SOC 644	Sociology of Aging
SOC 647	Comparative Cultural Anthropology
SOC 664	Social Entrepreneurship and Grassroots Social Action
SOC 671	Program Development and Evaluation
SOC 672	Workshop in Sociology
SOC 674	Independent Study in Sociology
SOC 675	Seminar in Sociology
SOC 676	Apprenticeship in Sociology
SOC 677	Internship in Sociology
SOC 679	Community Theory and Development
SOC 680	Nonprofit Organizations
SOC 681	Non Governmental Org: Global Social Innovation
Total Hours	36

Upper division courses are number 300 and above. When taking 600-level courses undergraduate students are automatically registered as such, while any graduate students are automatically registered for a graduate-level version of the course that contains assignments beyond the undergraduate level.

Degree Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Bachelor of Arts Degree Language Requirement		
Two consecutive semesters of a non-English Language		
All bachelor degrees require:		
GPA of 2.0 on FHSU courses & 2.0 on all coursework (Higher program requirements prevail over the 2.0 when set)		
A minimum of 30 hours earned from FHSU with a grade of D, C, B, or A		
Successful completion of an upper division Writing and Information Literacy course (Most majors contain a course designated)		
A minimum of 45 hours of recognized upper division credit		
A minimum of 120 hours of recognized college credit		

Sociology Degree - Addictions Counseling Track

The Sociology Program offers an Addictions Counseling Track for both Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Arts students. This track provides a path to become a licensed addictions counselor in the State of Kansas. Addictions counselors work with individuals and/or groups in a variety of settings, and can provide prevention, recovery and crisis care services.

Program Summary

To earn the Sociology - Addictions Counseling Track Bachelor of Science degree or Bachelor of Arts degree, you will complete the requirements for the BS/BA in Sociology degree. The 30 hours of addictions counseling track courses will count as the 15 hours of upper-level sociology courses

(BA Degree), and as 15 hours of open electives. This leaves 25 hours of open electives.

Code	Title	Hours
Addiction Counseling Track		
SOC 366	Introduction to Addictions	3
SOC 367	Individual Counseling in Addictions	3
SOC 368	Client Management Procedures	3
SOC 369	Pharmacology and High Risk Medical Issues	3
SOC 370	Addictions Counseling with Families	3
SOC 371	Ethics in Addictions Counseling	3
SOC 372	Psychopathology and Addictions	3
SOC 373	Group Counseling with Addiction Populations	3
SOC 377	Addictions Practicum I	3
SOC 378	Addictions Practicum II	3
Total Hours		30