



*Professor Judith Treas's research finds why U.S. couples may be at odds over housework; graduate student Leah Ruppanner, who studies family dynamics, demonstrates this conflict with husband Casey Wagner.
 Photo by Daniel Anderson, UCI Communications.*

SOCIOLOGY

THE DEGREE

What will an increasingly older population mean for our economy and way of life? What roles do racial preferences play in dating? How many undocumented immigrants live in the U.S. and what does this mean for policymakers? At UCI, sociology majors look beyond conventional explanations to investigate how conflict, cooperation and diversity impact our world.

RESEARCH

UCI sociologists are noted worldwide for cutting edge research in global inequality and change; immigration; social networks; social movements; life course, family, and sexualities; organizations, occupations, and labor; political sociology; gender and class; population; social inequality; race/ethnicity; and religion, art, science, mass media.

CAREERS

A major in sociology provides students with skills critical for analyzing and understanding social behavior and structural patterns. UCI sociology majors have gone on to pursue professional careers in law, business, government service, advanced graduate studies, social work, urban planning, public health and teaching.

OPPORTUNITIES IN SOCIOLOGY AT UCI

Are you looking for a challenge? The honors program allows students to pursue exciting sociological research and write an honors thesis under the guidance of sociology faculty. Learn more about the program and application process online.

In order to provide more focused training with real-world applications, the sociology department offers four certificate programs to undergraduate sociology majors. Topics include: business, economy and society; diversity; international sociology; and planning and human services. Each certificate is designed to complement a student's coursework for the major, while providing expertise in a specific area of sociology.

Are you interested in sociology but don't feel that a major is right for you? Learn more about the minor in sociology and requirements online.

Connect with students who, like you, have a passion for sociology. Through community service projects, group study sessions and more, the Sociology Club provides an outlet through which sociology majors may network and interact.

SCHOOL of SOCIAL SCIENCES

where I make a difference

SUGGESTED 4 YEAR CURRICULUM

Freshman¹ (12 to 16 units per quarter)

Sociology 1

Sociology 2 or 3 (one course)

Additional Introductory Social Science course

Lower Division Writing (two courses)

General Education II or IV (three courses)

Social Science 3A

General Education VI²

Sophomore³ (16 units per quarter)

Sociology Lower Division Core (two courses)

Sociology 10A–B–C or another series for

School math requirement

General Education II or IV (three courses)

General Education VII (one course)

Social Sciences Lower Division course (one course)

Elective (about two courses)

Junior (16 units per quarter)

Upper Division Writing (one course)⁴

Sociology 110

Sociology 120–129 (one course)

Sociology Upper Division Core (three courses)

General Education VIII (one course)

Electives (about four or five courses)

Senior (16 units per quarter)

Sociology 180A⁴

Upper Division Sociology (one course)

Upper Division Social Science (two courses)

Electives (about eight courses)

¹Students should move from a 12 to 16 unit work load in the second quarter of their first year.

²Language may be satisfied in high school prior to matriculation.

³Considering that students need approximately 60 elective units beyond general education, school and major requirements, they should start thinking early about how to satisfy these, especially when potential minors or double majors have prerequisites.

⁴Students completing an honors thesis will not need to complete Sociology 180A or UD Writing.

SUGGESTED 2 YEAR CURRICULUM

This plan assumes that a student has completed most General Education requirements.

Junior (16 units per quarter)¹

Social Science 3A (one course)

Additional Introductory Social Science course (one course)

Lower or Upper Division Social Sciences course (one course)

Sociology Core Requirement (take three of five)

Sociology 10A–B–C or another series for School math requirement

Sociology 110

Sociology 120–129 (one course)

Summer Session²

Students may take up to four courses during the UCI Summer Session

Senior (16 units per quarter)

Upper Division Writing (one course)³

Sociology Core Requirement (take last two)

Upper Division Sociology (one courses)

Upper Division Social Science (two courses)

Sociology 180A³

Unfinished elective units, General Education, minor, or double-major requirements. For honors: must take H188A and H188B (about five courses)

¹Students interested in the Sociology Honors Program should complete Sociology 10A–B–C, Sociology 110, Sociology 120 and two core classes by the end of junior year.

²Summer is a good time to take Sociology 180A, 120 and 110 which fill up more quickly during the regular school year.

³Students completing an honors thesis will not need to complete Sociology 180A or UD Writing; instead they take H188A and H188BW

Learn more at www.sociology.uci.edu.

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ACADEMIC RESOURCE CENTER

A great starting point for information about academic-related endeavors is the School of Social Sciences Academic Resource Center (SSARC) where students may obtain information about internships, graduate school, and prospective careers in a number of social sciences-related fields. Visit the center online at www.socsci.uci.edu/ssarc or call (949) 824–8322 today to set up an appointment.