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department of
SOCIOLOGY

uci sociologists
ask *questions* like:

- ✓ 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 United States and what does this mean for policymakers?

their *findings* explain how conflict, cooperation and diversity impact our world

the degree

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. Sociology majors explore how employment and incarceration status can change racial perceptions, how social networks affect gang violence and emergency response to hurricane Katrina, and how social movements can impact democracies. Research findings impact international population policy, the design and implementation of the U.S. Census, and the development of more effective communication plans for times of crisis.

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.

learn more: www.sociology.uci.edu

suggested curriculum 2 year

**Assumes completion of most gen ed reqs.*

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: H188A and H188B (about five courses)

suggested curriculum 4 year

Freshman⁴ (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 VI⁵

Sophomore⁶ (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)³
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 180A³
Upper Division Sociology (one course)
Upper Division Social Science (two courses)
Electives (about eight courses)

opportunities

honors program

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.

certificates

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 and inequality; global and international sociology; and social problems and public policy.

minor

Are you interested in sociology but don't feel that a major is right for you? Check out requirements for the minor online.

sociology club

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.

undergrad student affairs

The Social Sciences Undergraduate Student Affairs Office provides numerous services and special programs for undergraduate students including course planning, change of major requests, financial aid appeals, course substitutions, and information concerning honors, graduate and professional school, and careers and internships. Visit the Undergraduate Student Affairs Office online at undergradstudies.ss.uci.edu/ugs_usa or call 949.824.6803 today to set up an appointment.

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 Academic Resource Center online at www.socsci.uci.edu/ssarc or call 949.824.8322 today to set up an appointment.

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.

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

⁴Students should move from a 12 to 16 unit work load in the second quarter of their first year.

⁵Language may be satisfied in high school prior to matriculation.

⁶Considering 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.