

# SOCIOLOGY, BA: CULTURE AND DIVERSITY

## Sociology - Culture and Diversity Concentration

This concentration investigates the aspects of human life central to its definition, origins, and development of meaning, as well as how diversity within and resulting from these aspects impacts everyday society.

### The Sociology Major

The Sociology major helps students identify and explain patterns of social life and human behavior by emphasizing how large-scale social phenomena (such as class, race, and gender inequality) affect the everyday experiences of individuals and vice versa. The major prepares students for a career in a variety of fields such as law, medicine and healthcare, marketing, education, scholarly and applied social research, social work, demography, journalism and media, management in the public and private sectors, administration, and government. The program offers comprehensive advising and significant research and independent study opportunities. Our program is dedicated to nurturing a strong community of scholars, helping them grow academically and professionally under the large-scale mission of the College of Arts & Sciences.

The minimum total course units (<https://www.college.upenn.edu/credits-needed-major/>) for graduation in this major is 34. Double majors may entail more course units.

**For more information:** <https://sociology.sas.upenn.edu/undergraduate/sociology-major-concentrations/culture-and-diversity-concentration> (<https://sociology.sas.upenn.edu/undergraduate/sociology-major-concentrations/culture-and-diversity-concentration/>)

Code	Title	Course Units
<b>College General Education Requirements and Free Electives</b>		
Foundational Approaches + Sectors <sup>1</sup> + Free Electives		20
<b>Major Requirements</b>		
<i>Introductory Course</i>		
SOCI 1000	Introduction to Sociology	1
<i>Sociological Theory</i>		
Select 1 course unit in Sociological Theory		1
<i>Social Research Methods</i>		
SOCI 2000	Sociological Research Methods	1
Select 1 course unit in Advanced Research Methods		1
Select 1 course unit in Statistics		1
<i>Culture and Diversity Concentration</i>		
Select 3 course units in Concentration <sup>2</sup>		3
SOCI 0003	Sociology of Race and Ethnicity	
SOCI 1060	Race and Ethnic Relations	
SOCI 1090	Urban Sociology	
SOCI 1070	Media and Popular Culture	
SOCI 1140	Asian Americans In Contemporary Society	
SOCI 2200	Religion	
SOCI 2210	Race and the Media	
SOCI 2610	Latinos in the United States	

SOCI 2640	Media, Culture, and Society in Contemporary China	
SOCI 2680	Contemporary Immigration in the U.S.	
SOCI 2903	Exhibiting Black Bodies	
SOCI 2905	The Politics of Everyday Life in Africa	
SOCI 2932	Latinx Cultural History	
SOCI 2973	Culture on Trial: Race, Media & Intellectual Property	
SOCI 2974	Adivasis/Indigenous Peoples & British Colonialism in India	
SOCI 2976	American Race: A Philadelphia Story (SNF Paideia Program Course)	
<i>Additional SOCI Courses</i>		
Select 4 course units in SOCI Free <sup>3</sup>		4
<i>SOCI or Related Courses</i>		
Select 2 course units in SOCI or Related <sup>4</sup>		2
<i>Research Poster</i>		
Complete Research Poster		
<b>Total Course Units</b>		<b>34</b>

<sup>1</sup> You may count no more than one course toward both a Major and a Sector requirement. For Exceptions, check the Policy Statement (<http://www.college.upenn.edu/sectors-policy/>).

<sup>2</sup> Related courses outside of this list are subject to the approval of the Associate Director of Undergraduate Studies and Undergraduate Chair

<sup>3</sup> Students are encouraged to take some courses outside of their concentration.

<sup>4</sup> For the "SOCI or RELATED" requirement in the major, students in the Culture and Diversity concentration can count any SOCI course, or courses outside of SOCI that either 1) devote a substantial portion of their subject matter to sociologically related issues, and/or 2) are directly related to issues of culture and/or diversity.

## Honors

Applicants must have an overall GPA of 3.3 and a GPA of 3.5 in the major.

Code	Title	Course Units
SOCI 4100	Thesis Workshop I	.5
SOCI 4101	Thesis Workshop II	.5
SOCI 4998	Honors Independent Study (Or Approved Course)	1
Senior Thesis		

The degree and major requirements displayed are intended as a guide for students entering in the Fall of 2025 and later. Students should consult with their academic program regarding final certifications and requirements for graduation.