

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN SOCIOLOGY

Web Site: <https://twu.edu/sociology/undergraduate-programs/bs-in-sociology/>

The sociology curriculum is designed to give students a broad education while preparing them for work and practice in a variety of fields. A wide array of courses provides training in research methods and techniques; insight into social class, racial-ethnic and gender inequality; group differences; understanding of social organizations, social forces, and group processes; and skills to be used in working with individuals or groups. The curriculum builds a background for any occupation that involves working with people and/or social organizations. The sociology program can prepare students to teach sociology in public schools and to do research, practice, or other work with private or governmental agencies. Sociology provides an invaluable background for graduate study and for careers in business, public service, law, medicine, and other helping professions. Opportunities for practical work experience are provided through the University's Internship Program.

Marketable Skills

Marketable skills prepare students for success in a variety of professional settings. Developed through academic coursework, co-curricular engagement, and extracurricular involvement, these skills include communication, critical thinking, teamwork, ethical reasoning, adaptability, and digital literacy. Whether directly related to a student's major or serving as complementary strengths, marketable skills enhance career readiness and reflect TWU's commitment to producing graduates who are prepared to thrive in today's dynamic workforce.

1. Apply critical thinking, analytical reasoning skills, and sociological knowledge and skills to real-world settings.
2. Work with numbers and demonstrate quantitative skills.
3. Make a presentation on and write a non-technical report that is understood by non-sociologists.
4. Work with people in different groups characterized by race, ethnicity, gender, socioeconomic class, religion, or immigration status to achieve a goal.
5. Make an evidence-based argument.
6. Use computers to locate and analyze data.
7. Gather information and analyze social problems.

Admissions

All applicants must meet the general undergraduate admission requirements (<https://catalog.twu.edu/undergraduate/admission-information/>).

Degree Requirements

Total Semester Credit Hours (SCH): 120

Major: 33 SCH

Program Code: SOCI.BS **CIP Code:** 45.1101.00

Texas Core Curriculum

Code	Title	SCHs
ENG 1013	Composition I (10)	3
ENG 1023	Composition II (10)	3
Mathematics (20)		3
Life & Physical Sciences (30)		6
Language, Philosophy, & Culture (40)		3
Creative Arts (50)		3
HIST 1013	History of the United States, 1492-1865 (60)	3
HIST 1023	History of the United States, 1865 to the Present (60)	3
POLS 2013	U.S. National Government (70)	3
POLS 2023	Texas Government (70)	3
Social & Behavioral Sciences (80)		3
CAO: Multicultural-Women's Studies (90)		3
CAO: First Year Seminar, Wellness or Mathematics (91)		3
Total SCHs		42

Courses Required for Major

Code	Title	SCHs
SOCI 3023	Introduction to Sociological Theory	3
SOCI 3053	Social Research	3
SOCI 3163	Social Statistics	3
SOCI 4103	Senior Seminar: Theory and Practice	3
SOCI Electives (at least 12 SCH advanced)		21
Total SCHs		33

Departmental Requirements

Code	Title	SCHs
SOCI 1013	Introductory Sociology	3
Electives (at least 12 SCH advanced)		45
Total SCHs		48

Recommended Plan of Study

First Year		TCCN	SCHs
Fall			
ENG 1013	Composition I	ENGL 1301	3
HIST 1013	History of the United States, 1492-1865	HIST 1301	3
Life/Physical Sciences Core			3
Creative Arts Core			3
UNIV 1231	Learning Frameworks: First-Year Seminar	EDUC 1100, EDUC 1200, EDUC 1300	1
Wellness or Mathematics CAO Core			2
			SCHs
			15
Spring		TCCN	
ENG 1023	Composition II	ENGL 1302	3
HIST 1023	History of the United States, 1865 to the Present	HIST 1302	3
Life/Physical Sciences Core			3
Multicultural Women's Studies CAO Core			3

Elective			3
SCHs			15
Second Year			
Fall		TCCN	
POLS 2013	U.S. National Government	GOVT 2305	3
SOCI 1013	Introductory Sociology	SOCI 1301	3
Language, Philosophy, and Culture Core			3
Elective			6
SCHs			15
Spring		TCCN	
POLS 2023	Texas Government	GOVT 2306	3
Sociology Elective			3
Elective			6
Mathematics Core			3
SCHs			15
Third Year			
Fall		TCCN	
SOCI 3023	Introduction to Sociological Theory		3
SOCI 3053	Social Research		3
Sociology Elective (advanced)			3
Elective (advanced)			3
Elective			3
SCHs			15
Spring		TCCN	
SOCI 3163	Social Statistics		3
Sociology Elective			6
Elective			6
SCHs			15
Fourth Year			
Fall		TCCN	
SOCI 4103	Senior Seminar: Theory and Practice		3
Elective			6
Elective (advanced)			3
Sociology Elective (advanced)			3
SCHs			15
Spring		TCCN	
Sociology Elective (advanced)			6
Electives (advanced)			9
SCHs			15
Total SCHs:			120