

# **Department of Sociology Undergraduate Handbook 2008-2009**



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## **Introduction**

Welcome to the Sociology Department at Georgia State University. The Department of Sociology offers the B.A., M.A., and Ph.D. degrees. B.A. students can complete a *General Program in Sociology* or specialize in one of the five concentrations: *Family Sociology*, *Race and Urban Studies*, *Gender and Sexuality*, *Gerontology*, or *Social Studies Education*. Within these specializations, however, there is a fair amount of flexibility for students to pursue topics of interest.

Currently, there are about 500 undergraduate majors in the program. Faculty and students have plenty of contact with each other, and students receive a great deal of personal attention from faculty members.

The Department of Sociology presently has a diverse faculty of 22 full-time members and several part-time teaching faculty whose teaching and research cover a broad set of interests (see, for example, our "Course Descriptions" and "Faculty Roster"). In addition, the department and individual faculty members have consulted and engaged in research projects with the following agencies: National Science Foundation, U.S. Public Health Service, National Institutes of Health, National Institute on Aging, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, U.S. Attorney's Office, U.S. Bureau of the Census, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Georgia Department of Human Resources, Georgia Narcotics Treatment Center, Georgia Mental Health Institute, Atlanta Regional Commission, the City of Atlanta Bureau of Planning, and numerous community service agencies.

## **General Program Information**

### **Student Life**

The undergraduate program in sociology is designed to create an environment that stimulates intellectual curiosity and encourages creative thought. The department offers a wide variety of courses to provide students with a solid background in their discipline. The department works to promote interaction between students and social scientists, within and outside the university.

### **Student Advisement**

Academic advisement helps you be sure that you are on the right path toward the completion of your degree. It is always a good idea to see an advisor at least once a year (more often if you are a transfer student, change majors, will be graduating within 2 semesters, or just have questions). Often, your advisor can spot a potential problem before it becomes an issue, and save you lots of time.

The Undergraduate Academic Advisor is Mr. Brian Buckwald. He is available for both appointments and walk-in advising. His office is located in 1046 General Classroom Building. His phone number is 404/413-6503 and e-mail is [bbuckwald@gsu.edu](mailto:bbuckwald@gsu.edu).

The Undergraduate Director, Dr. Wendy Simonds, is available for advising by appointment only. Her office is located in 1067 General Classroom Building. You can reach her via phone at 404/413-6512 or e-mail at [wsimonds@gsu.edu](mailto:wsimonds@gsu.edu).

*Many students find it helpful to make a list of questions, so that nothing is forgotten during their appointments.*

### **Alpha Kappa Delta**

Qualified undergraduate students in the Sociology Department are invited to join Alpha Kappa Delta (AKD), the internationally recognized sociology honor society. Founded in 1921, Alpha Kappa Delta's aim is to "stimulate scholarship, not only among its members but among all students in sociology." Since its inception, over 75,000 scholars have been inducted into AKD; currently there are 447 chapters in 49 states, the District of Columbia, Canada, China, the Philippines, and Taiwan. The AKD Society publishes the journal *Sociological Inquiry* and funds numerous opportunities for student scholarship, including undergraduate paper competitions, grants to support speakers, grants to support symposia and workshops, and grants to support student travel to regional sociological meetings.

The requirements for induction into AKD are:

- Must be a junior or senior;
- Must have taken and completed at least 4 sociology courses;
- Overall GPA of 3.0 or better; and

- Sociology GPA of 3.0 or better.

For additional information on GSU's AKD Chapter contact Dr. Dawn Baunach (faculty representative) at (404) 413-6525 or dbaunach@gsu.edu.

### **Sociology Club**

Members of the sociology club have opportunities to network with practicing professionals, socialize with other members and volunteer to do community service. More than just a resume builder, the club provides members many opportunities to become involved. If you are interested in a social organization – come and join us for trivia or dinner with a faculty member. If your interests are more professionally oriented, come hear a speaker at one of our ‘networking sessions.’ If your interests are community based, the sociology club has something for you too! Opportunities for leadership are available, but we welcome anyone who is interested in joining. Your participation can be as much or as little as you would like.

For additional information on the sociology club, contact Mikel Walters, the sociology club advisor, at mwalters36@yahoo.com.

### **Sociology Outstanding Undergraduate Award**

The Sociology Outstanding Undergraduate Award is presented annually to a senior sociology major in recognition of outstanding academic performance. The recipient is nominated and selected by sociology faculty, and is expected to attend the Arts and Sciences Award Ceremony, normally held in the spring of each year.

### **Sociology Undergraduate Award**

The Sociology Undergraduate Award is presented yearly to undergraduate sociology majors who have demonstrated excellent academic achievement as well as a sense of excitement about, and creativity in, the sociological enterprise. Recipients are nominated and selected by Sociology faculty, and are expected to attend the Arts and Sciences Award Ceremony, normally held in the spring of each year.

### **Computer Lab**

The Department has a computer lab exclusively for the use of our students. Stocked with Dell computers (with Pentium processors) and hooked up to the university mainframe, the lab is an excellent place to conduct library and Internet research, write papers, and check e-mail. The lab is located in Room 1056 GCB.

Lab Hours: Monday – Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

## **B.A. Degree Requirements**

1. Undergraduate majors must complete the required core curriculum areas required by the University and listed on pages 62-64 in the *2003-2004 Undergraduate Catalog*.
2. Undergraduate majors must also complete 18 hours of courses appropriate to the major:
  - A. Required Courses (9)
    - Soci 1101 Introductory Sociology (3)
    - Soci 1160 Introduction to Social Problems (3)
    - Lang 1002 Elementary Foreign Language II (3)
  - B. Select an additional 9 hours from the following courses: AAS 2010, Anth 2020, CSc 2301, Econ 2105, Econ 2106, Lang 2001, Lang 2002, Geog 1101, Hist 1140, Hist 2110, Math 1070, Math 1111, Phil 2010, Phil 2410, PolS 2401
3. Major Courses (27)

Undergraduate majors may pick from one of the following programs to complete the degree requirements.

### **NOTE: Guidelines for Soci 3010/ Soci 3020/ Soci 3030 and Soci 3201:**

Soci 3010 (Social Statistics), Soci 3020 (Social Research Methods), Soci 3030 (Sociological Theory), and Soci 3201 (Wealth, Power, and Inequality) are required courses for all Sociology majors. **Students must take 3010 and 3020 in sequence, beginning with Soci 3010, and may not take these courses during the same term.** Ideally, students will take only one required course per term. In addition, required courses often fill up early. To insure that you are able to fit all the required courses in your schedule prior to your graduation date, **it is imperative that you begin this sequence at the start of your junior year.**

*Students who come in under the 2000-2001 (or earlier) Undergraduate Catalogs are **NOT** required to take Soci 3201 (Wealth, Power, and Inequality).*

#### *General Program in Sociology (27)*

1. Major Requirements (12)
  - Soci 3010 Social Statistics (3)
  - Soci 3020 Social Research Methods (3)
  - Soci 3030 Sociological Theory (3)
  - Soci 3201 Wealth, Power, and Inequality (3)
2. Select an additional 15 hours in sociology courses at the 3000-level or above

Family Concentration (27)

1. Major Requirements (12)  
Same as section 1 of General Program in Sociology, described above
2. Family Core Course  
Soci 3101 Families and Society (3)
3. Select one from the following list. (3)  
Soci 3152 Birth and Parenthood (3)  
Soci 3162 African-American Family (3)  
Soci 4150 Sexual and Intimate Violence (3)
4. Select two from the list below or the list in section 3 above. (6)  
Soci 3110 Identity, Self, and Social Interaction (3)  
Soci 3156 Sexuality and Society (3)  
Soci 3212 Race and Ethnic Relations (3)  
Soci 3216 Gender and Society (3)  
Soci 3232 Poverty and Welfare (3)  
Soci 3346 Drug Use and Abuse (3)  
Soci 3352 Mental Illness in the U.S. (3)  
Soci 3356 Sexual Identity (3)  
Soci 4116 Aging and Society (3)  
Soci 4122 Death, Dying, and Loss (3)  
Soci 4230 Sociology of Health and Illness (3)  
Soci 4310 Issues in the African-American Community (3)  
Soci 4315 Girls (3)  
Soci 4380 Educational Sociology (3)
5. Soci 4980 Internship (3)

Race and Urban Concentration (27)

1. Major Requirements (12)  
Same as in section 1 of General Program in Sociology, described above.
2. Race and Urban Studies Core Courses (6)  
Soci 3212 Race and Ethnic Relations (3)  
Soci 4226 Urban Sociology (3)
3. Select two courses. (6)  
Soci 3208 Work and Employment (3)  
Soci 3214 American Racial-Ethnic Groups (3)  
Soci 3220 Activism, Protest, and Revolution (3)  
Soci 3222 Deviant Behavior (3)  
Soci 3224 Crime and Punishment (3)

Soci 3228 The Holocaust (3)  
Soci 3232 Poverty and Welfare (3)  
Soci 3340 Population Problems (3)  
Soci 3346 Drug Use and Abuse (3)  
Soci 3350 Social Change and the Future (3)  
Soci 3354 Sociology of Popular Culture (3)  
Soci 4218 Power and Politics (3)  
Soci 4230 Sociology of Health and Illness (3)  
Soci 4279 Metropolitan Atlanta (3)  
Soci 4310 Issues in the African American Community (3)  
Soci 4312 African-American Women in the United States (3)  
Soci 4360 Religion and Society (3)  
Soci 4366 Law and Society (3)  
Soci 4380 Educational Sociology (3)

4. Soci 4980 Internship (3)

*Gender and Sexuality Concentration (27)*

1. Major Requirements (12)

Same as in section 1 of General Program in Sociology, described above.

2. Gender and Sexuality Core Courses

Soci 3156 Sexuality and Society (3)

Soci 3216 Gender and Society (3)

3. Select two courses from the list below. (6)

Soci 3101 Families and Society (3)

Soci 3110 Identity, Self, and Social Interaction (3)

Soci 3152 Birth and Parenthood (3)

Soci 3208 Work and Employment (3)

Soci 3232 Poverty and Welfare (3)

Soci 3340 Population Problems (3)

Soci 3352 Mental Illness in the United States (3)

Soci 3354 Sociology of Popular Culture

Soci 3356 Sexual Identity (3)

Soci 4150 Sexual and Intimate Violence (3)

Soci 4218 Power and Politics (3)

Soci 4230 Sociology of Health and Illness (3)

Soci 4311 African-American Male/Female Relationships (3)

Soci 4312 African-American Women in the U.S. (3)

Soci 4315 Girls (3)

Soci 4366 Law and Society (3)

4. Soci 4980 Internship (3)

Gerontology Concentration (30)

1. Major Requirements (12)  
Same as in section 1 of General Program in Sociology, described above.
2. Gerontology Requirements (9)  
Gero 4116 Aging and Society (3)  
Gero 4200 Health and the Older Adult (3)  
Gero 4610 Psychology of Aging (3)
3. Select one course. (3)  
Gero 4110 Aging Policy and Services (3)  
SW 4260 Social Work with the Aging (3)
4. Select one course. (3)  
Gero 4110 Aging Policy and Services (3) (if not taken in section above)  
Gero 4122 Death, Dying, and Loss (3)  
Gero 4475 Communication in Older Adulthood (3)  
Gero 4500 Anthropology of Aging (3)  
SW 4260 Social Work with the Aging (3) (if not taken in section above)
5. Gero 4910 Gerontology Internship (3)

Social Studies Education (Sociology) Concentration (27)\*

1. Major Requirements (12)  
Same as in section 1 of General Program in Sociology, described above.
2. Select one or two courses from *each* group for a total of five courses. (15)
  - a. Family and the Life Course (3-6)  
Soci 3101 Families and Society (3)  
Soci 3110 Identity, Self, and Social Interaction (3)  
Soci 3152 Birth and Parenthood (3)  
Soci 3162 African-American Family (3)  
Soci 4116 Aging and Society (3)
  - b. Race and Urban (3-6)  
Soci 3212 Race and Ethnic Relations (3)  
Soci 4226 Urban Sociology (3)  
Soci 4279 Metropolitan Atlanta (3)  
Soci 4310 Issues in the African-American Community (3)  
Soci 4380 Educational Sociology (3)
  - c. Gender and Sexuality (3-6)  
Soci 3156 Sexuality and Society (3)  
Soci 3216 Gender and Society (3)  
Soci 3356 Sexual Identity (3)  
Soci 4150 Sexual and Intimate Violence (3)

Soci 4311 African-American Male/Female Relationships (3)  
Soci 4315 Girls (3)

**\*NOTE: Students pursuing the Social Studies Education (Sociology) concentration must also choose three (3) allied fields (minor areas) from the following departments, taking nine (9) hours in each, for a total of 27 hours: economics, geography, history, or political science (contact these departments for specific course requirements).**

**Also, in order to gain teacher certification, students completing this degree program should also complete the requirements for a master's degree in social science education (contact the College of Education for more details).**

#### Directed Reading Courses

SOCI 4999, Directed Reading

This course is designed for students within two semesters of graduation, who wish to pursue a sociological topic that is not covered in a regular course in depth. Students work one-on-one with a faculty member to design their own course of study. One to three credit hours may be earned. Registration must be approved by the supervising professor, the department chair, and the dean of the college. Forms for SOCI 4999 must be completed at the time of regular registration for the semester in which the credit is to be earned, and can be obtained through the department or school offices of the college's Office of Academic Assistance, 724 GCB

In addition to the above, the Sociology Department follows these guidelines:

- Only senior sociology majors/minors are eligible to take directed readings.
- Directed readings are to be used only in special situations, and may not be used as a way out of required courses, or simply as a way to build up hours.
- Required courses and regularly offered courses may *not* be taken as directed readings.
- Directed readings must lie within the professor's area of expertise.
- Professors supervising directed readings must be full-time faculty.
- The department is not obliged to work out a directed reading for a student with scheduling problems. Directed readings are offered at the discretion of individual professors.

#### Minor and Additional Courses

1. Students majoring in sociology are not required to take a minor, but may do so if they like.
2. Additional courses not in the major must be taken as electives to complete a minimum of 120 semester hours, exclusive of 1000/2000 physical education (KH) or military science (MS) courses. Students must take at least 39 hours of 3000-4000 level courses to meet the GSU residency requirement.

## **Minor Offerings**

Students who wish to minor in sociology must take 15-18 hours in courses in sociology, including at least nine semester hours at the 3000-level or above. Students taking more than 15 hours in courses in sociology may count the additional hours toward their electives or may consider completing a double major.

## **Internship Program Information**

The internship program is intended to give you valuable hands-on experience in an environment relative to your career goals, and to help you put the sociological knowledge that you learn in the classroom to work in a real-life setting.

Students who major in Sociology with a concentration in *Family, Race and Urban Studies*, *Gender and Sexuality*, or *Gerontology* are **required** to take an internship for at least 3 hours credit. Students may earn a maximum of 6 credit hours in the internship. Students under the General and the Social Studies Education concentrations may take an internship if they choose, but are not required to do so.

To be considered for an internship, you must meet the following requirements:

- 2.5 overall GPA (or 2.75 in Sociology, with at least 15 hours of coursework completed by the time of application)
- 12 hours of Sociology coursework completed by the time of application, including Soci 1101
- At least 60 hours of coursework completed by the time of application, with 9 of those hours at GSU
- You must turn in a completed application packet consisting of: an application form (available from Dr. Simonds or Mr. Buckwald); a letter of reference from a GSU sociology faculty member; a one-page statement of purpose; and a current (within 30 days) CAPP/PACE form

Applications are screened and voted on by the undergraduate committee in a selective process. Meeting the minimum requirements does not guarantee acceptance into the internship program.

***REMINDER: Incomplete applications or applications received after the deadline will not be considered.***

### **The internship application deadlines are:**

<b>Fall Semester:</b>	<b>June 15th</b>
<b>Spring Semester:</b>	<b>September 15<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>Summer Semester:</b>	<b>March 1<sup>st</sup></b>

### Hours worked per credit hour

**Spring or Fall:** 12 hrs/week = 3 cr.; 16 hrs/week = 4 cr.; 20 hrs/week = 5 cr.; 24 hrs/week = 6 cr.

**Summer:** 20 hrs/week = 3 cr.; 27 hrs/week = 4 cr.; 34 hrs/week = 5 cr.; 40 hrs/week = 6 cr.

Partial List of Intern Sites under Contract with Department:

African American Student Services  
Agape Community Center  
American Red Cross  
Amnesty International  
Ashlin Management  
Atlanta Children's Shelter Inc.  
Atlanta City Hall  
Atlanta Probation – West Unit  
Atlanta Victim Witness Program  
Carroll Sav-A-Life  
Chris Kids  
Christ the King Day Habilitation Services  
City of Atlanta Office of the Mayor  
City of Decatur  
Clayton County DFACS  
Conyers Rockdale Chamber of Commerce  
DeKalb Rape Crisis Center  
Department of Family & Children Services (DFACS) – McDonough, GA  
Department of Juvenile Justice  
Department of Veterans Affairs  
Division of Aging Services  
Dunwoody Pediatrics  
Fairness for Prisoner's Families  
Feminist Women's Health Center  
Fulton County Superior Court Pretrial Services  
Fulton County Victim Witness Assistance Program  
Georgia Abortion and Reproductive Rights Action League (GARAL)  
Georgia Association of Training, Employment and Supports (GATES)  
Georgia Coalition on Family Violence  
Georgia Department of Human Resources – Office of Adoptions  
Georgia Environmental Organization  
Georgia Partnership for Caring Foundation  
Georgia Public Policy Foundation  
Giving Tree  
Governor's Intern Program  
Gwinnett County Victim Witness Program  
Gwinnett Judicial Circuit, Probation Division  
Hands on Atlanta  
Hebron Baptist Church  
Houston County Board of Education  
I Have a Dream Gideons  
International Rescue Committee, Inc.  
Kids R Kids (Georgia Pre-K Program)  
Light of the World Christian School

Lots of Love Christian Academy  
Partnership Against Domestic Violence  
Niyelo (knee-yea-low)  
Planned Parenthood of Georgia  
Professional Probation Services, Inc.  
Rachel's Daughters, Inc.  
Redan Middle School  
Refugee Family Services  
Resources & Residential Alternatives, Inc.  
Southern Crescent Sexual Assault Center  
St. Jude Children's Research Hospital/ALSAC  
State Board of Pardons and Paroles  
Storehouse Ministries  
Teaching Important Parenting Skills (TIPS)  
The Sunshine House  
The Temple Zaban Night Shelter  
Turner Broadcasting  
Turner Middle School – Atlanta Public Schools  
Turning Point Enterprises  
Twin Cedar's Youth Services, Second Chance  
United Cerebral Palsy  
United States Commission on Civil Rights  
Visionary Resources, Inc.  
Women in Government  
Women's Resource Center to End Domestic Violence  
Women's Policy Education Fund  
Woodbridge Elementary School  
YMCA of Metro Atlanta, Inc.

**Note: In addition to these sites, students may contract with other organizations to do internships, so long as these sites meet our criteria and are approved in advance.**

## **Graduation**

At some point before graduation, you will receive a **graduation audit**. Please bring this to the sociology department for advisement and to get Dr. Simonds's or Mr. Buckwald's signature.

**GSU requires that you apply for graduation at least three (3) semesters prior to the term that you plan to graduate.** Graduation Applications may be obtained from the Office of Academic Assistance. The applications contain specific deadlines for submitting your graduation application, depending on the term you plan to graduate. It is very important that you meet these deadlines to avoid delaying your graduation date.

## **Graduation with Distinction**

A small number of sociology graduates are selected each term to graduate “with distinction.” To receive this designation, the individual should have a high GPA and have made a significant contribution outside the classroom. This contribution could have been to the GSU community, the metro-Atlanta community (such as volunteer work or activism), or the professional community (such as presenting a paper at a conference, publishing, or participating in faculty research projects). Students are nominated for this honor by individual faculty members.

## **Departmental Awards**

Every year, the department honors exemplary undergraduates with the “Undergraduate Award” and the “Outstanding Undergraduate Award.” Faculty nominate students based on GPA, performance in courses, and other significant activities. The undergraduate committee considers the nominations, and decides upon the winners.

## **Academic Honesty**

The Department of Sociology follows the university’s policy on academic honesty, which is published in the *Faculty Affairs Handbook* and in *On-Campus: The Undergraduate Co-Curricular Affairs Handbook* and is available to all members of the university community. A summary of these policies can be found in the *Undergraduate Catalog*. The policy represents a core value of the university and all members of the university community are responsible for abiding by its tenets. Lack of knowledge of this policy is not an acceptable defense to any charge of academic dishonesty. All members of the academic community – students, faculty, and staff – are expected to report violations of these standards of academic conduct to the appropriate authorities. The procedures for such reporting are on file in the offices of the deans of each college, the office of the Dean of Students, and the Office of the Provost.

## Examples of Academic Dishonesty

The following list was compiled by the Department of Psychology at Georgia State University. It is intended to provide examples of actions that would be considered to be in violation of these principles. It is not intended to be exhaustive.

1. Looking at another student’s examination paper while taking an examination.
2. Discussing an examination during an examination, other than to ask the instructor for clarification.
3. Looking at any material other than that which is authorized by the instructor for use during the examination.

4. Other evidence of obtaining unauthorized assistance on an examination.
5. Submitting the same work to meet the requirements for more than one course, unless authorized in advance by consultation between instructors involved.
6. Plagiarism, i.e. the use of another's work without quotation, citation, or identification of paraphrased or quoted material.
7. Falsifying research data, interview protocols or other clinical material.
8. Use of purchased or borrowed material as if it were original.
9. Copying test questions from test.
10. Failing to turn in a set of questions at the completion of a test.
11. Using test or exam questions that have been copied or are available in the community.
12. Discussing a test or exam with a student who has not yet taken the test or exam.
13. Asking a student about a test or exam when you have not taken that test or exam.

### **Job Titles of B.A. Sociology Degree Recipients**

In addition to the positions listed here, sociologists work in many other professional arenas, including positions of political leadership and national prominence. For example, the recently deceased senator from New York, Daniel Patrick Moynihan (D-NY), had a doctorate in sociology. Priest and renowned novelist Andrew Greeley also earned his Ph.D. in sociology. Atlanta mayor Shirley Franklin has an M.A. in sociology, and civil rights leaders Martin Luther King, Jr., Jesse Jackson, and Ralph David Abernathy all earned bachelor's degrees in sociology.

Take this list as a starting point, not as an endpoint:

#### **Business and Industry**

- Advertising staffer
- Sales representative/manager
- Issues manager
- Insurance agent
- Human resources manager
- Administrative assistant
- Merchandiser/purchaser
- Trainer
- Recruiter
- Customer relations worker
- Real estate agent
- Public relations staffer

- Quality control manager
- Banker
- Labor relations staffer
- Data entry manager
- Telemarketer
- Project manager
- Market analyst
- Issues manager
- Training assistant
- Productions manager
- Planning assistant
- Computer analyst
- Publishing staffer
- Control engineer
- Technical writer

- Juvenile court worker
- Police department staffer
- Correctional counselor
- Corrections staffer
- Parole office
- Special agent
- Rehabilitation counselor
- Criminal investigator
- Police officer
- State trooper

#### **Justice System**

- Corrections officer

**Community and Social Services**

- Fund raising assistant/director
- Environmental organizer
- Youth outreach worker
- Family planning worker
- Medical records worker
- Child development technician
- Public assistance worker
- Rural health outreach worker
- Child care worker
- Community organizer
- Substance abuse counselor
- Occupational/career counselor
- Homeless/housing worker
- Rehabilitation program worker
- Public health supervisor
- Caseworker/aide
- Hospital administrator
- Community aide
- Case manager
- Recreation worker
- Resident planning aide
- Group home worker
- Housing coordinator

**Government**

- Foreign service officer
- Personnel coordinator
- Information officer
- Urban planner
- Employee specialist
- International worker
- Peace Corps volunteer
- Human rights officer
- Program supervisor
- Special agent
- Legislative aide

**Education**

- Teacher
- Alumni relations worker
- Extension service specialist
- Student personnel worker
- College placement worker
- Affirmative action assistant
- Admissions counselor
- Public health educator

**Research**

- Social research assistant
- Market researcher
- Census research assistant
- Criminology assistant
- Survey research technician
- Public survey worker
- Demographer assistant
- Consumer researcher
- Data analyst
- Interviewer
- Statistician

## Faculty Roster

- Ainsworth , James** (Ph.D., Ohio State 1999; Associate Professor)  
Social Inequality, Race and Ethnic Relations, Sociology of Education
- Baunach, Dawn M.** (Ph.D., Virginia, 1996; Associate Professor)  
Stratification and Inequality, Gender and Sexuality, Demography, Quantitative Methodology
- Burgess, Elisabeth O.** (Ph.D., USC 1997; Associate Professor)  
Aging and the Life Course, Families and Intimate Relationships, Gender, Intergenerational Relations, Social Theory
- Cantrell, Cecilia H.** (Ph.D., Ohio State 1974; Associate Professor)  
Medical Sociology, Sociology of Mental Health/Illness, Loss, Dying and Death, Gerontology
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Deviance, Childhood, Ethnography
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Sexual and Intimate Violence, Sexuality, Conflict in N. Ireland
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Race and Ethnic Relations, Urban Sociology, Inequality
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Race, Class, and Gender, Work and Occupations, Social Theory
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Social Gerontology, Medical Sociology
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Urban Sociology, Race and Ethnic Relations, Immigration
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Industrial Sociology, Comparative Culture, Japanese Society
- Kim, Jung Ha** (Ph.D., Georgia State University 1993; Senior Lecturer)  
Social Theories, Race and Ethnic Relations, Sociology of Religion, Gender
- LaRossa, Ralph** (Ph.D., New Hampshire 1975; Professor)  
Family, Gender, Culture and Cognition, Qualitative and Historical Methods
- Meeks, Chet** (Ph.D. SUNY-Albany 2003; Assistant Professor)  
Culture, Sexualities, Social Movements, Social Theory

- Norwood, Romney** (Ph.D., Penn State 2001; Assistant Professor)  
Urban Sociology, Inequality, Race and Ethnic Relations, Family
- Reid, Lesley** (Ph.D., Tulane 2000; Assistant Professor)  
Criminology, Urban Sociology, Stratification, Statistics & Methods
- Reitzes, Donald C.** (Ph.D., Indiana University 1977; Professor & Chair)  
Self and Identity, Social Psychology, Retirement and Life Course, Community & Urban Sociology
- Ruel, Erin** (Ph.D., University of Illinois, Chicago 2003; Assistant Professor)  
Race and Gender Stratification, Research Methods, Health
- Sheff, Elisabeth** (Ph.D. Univ. of Colorado 2005; Assistant Professor)  
Gender, Sexuality, Deviance, Family, Theory
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Birth and Parenthood, Family, Gender, Cultural Studies, Health, Sexuality, Theory
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Social Inequality (Gender, Race, and Class), Sexuality, Qualitative Methods
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Social Gerontology, Medical Sociology

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**DEGREE REQUIREMENTS FOR SEMESTER CATALOG – SOCIOLOGY**

**AREA A: Essential Skills (9 credits)**

	English 1101 ( <i>Minimum grade of C</i> )	3 hrs.
	English 1102	3 hrs.
	Math ( <i>See below for classes that fulfill this requirement</i> )	3 hrs.

Math courses: MATH 1111, MATH 1113, MATH 1220, MATH 2211 MATH 2212, MATH 2215, MATH 2420. _____
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**AREA B: Institutional Options (4 credits)**

		2 hrs.
		2 hrs.

*For Area B, select two(2) courses from the following courses:  
PHIL 1010, SPCH 1000, PERS 2001 or PERS 2002*

**AREA C: Humanities & Fine Arts (6 credits)**

		3 hrs.
		3 hrs.

*For Area C, select two(2) courses from the two groups below.  
Both courses may not come from the same group.*

<p><b>Group 1:</b></p> <p>ENGL 2110, ENGL 2120, ENGL 2130, PHIL 2010, SPCH 2050</p>
<p><b>Group 2:</b></p> <p>ART 1700, ART 1750, ART 1850, MUA 1500, MUA 1900, MUA 1930, THEA 2040, FILM 2700</p>

**AREA D: Science, Mathematics & Technology (11 credits)**

		4 hrs.
		4 hrs.
		3 hrs.

*For Area D, choose any one(1) group from the courses below. (4 hours):*

ASTR 1010/ASTR 101 and ASTR 1020/ASTR 102  
 BIOL 1103K  
 BIOL 1103K/BIO 141 and BIOL 1104K/BIO 142  
 CHEM 1151K/CHEM 101 and CHEM 1152K/CHEM 102  
 CHEM 1101K/CHEM 103 and CHEM 1102K/CHEM 104  
 GEOG 1112/GEOG 103 and GEOG 1113/GEOG 104  
 GEOL 1121K/GEOL 101 and GEOL 1122K/GEOL 102  
 PHYS 1111K/PHYS 101 and PHYS 1112K/PHYS 102  
 CHEM 1211K/CHEM 121 and CHEM 1212K/CHEM 122

*Also for Area D, choose any one(1) course from the courses below (Course must be from a discipline different from the one selected above) (3 hours):*

ASTR 1000, BIOL 2240, BIOL 2300, CHEM 1050, CSC 1010, GEOL 2001,  
 MATH 2420, MATH 1070, MATH 1113, PHYS 2030K, PSYC 1100

**AREA E: Social Sciences (12 credits)**

	HIST 2110	3 hrs.
	POLS 1101	3 hrs.
	_____ Select one(1) course from the following: HIST 1111, HIST 1112, POLS 2401	3 hrs.
	_____ Select one(1) course from the following: AAS 2010, ANTH 1102, ECON 2105, ECON 2106, GEOG 1101, HIST 1140/AAS 1140, PSYC 1101, WST 2010	3 hrs.

**AREA F: Sociology ( 18 credits)**

	SOCI 1101/SOC 201	3 hrs.
	SOCI 1160/SOC 202	3 hrs.
	_____ Foreign Lanugage 1002 (Fr, Ger, Ital, Ja, Lat, Rus or Span)	3 hrs.
	_____ Select from the list below (can not repeat any course)	3 hrs.
	_____ Select from the list below (can not repeat any course)	3 hrs.
	_____ Select from the list below (can not repeat any course)	3 hrs.

<p>AAS 2010, ANTH 2020, CSC 2301, ECON 2105, ECON 2106, GEOG 1101,          HIST 1140, HIST 2110, MATH 1111, PHIL 2010, PHIL 2410, POLS 2401,          MATH 1070 or Foreign Language 2001 or 2002.</p>
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**AREA G: Sociology Major Courses (Minimum grade of “C” required)**

**Section 01 – Required of all Sociology majors (12 credits)**

	SOCI 3010/SOC 320	3 hrs.
	SOCI 3020/SOC 321	3 hrs.
	SOCI 3030/SOC 404	3 hrs.
	SOCI 3201 (required if you come in under the 2001-2002 catalog or later)	3 hrs.

**Section 02 –Select 15 hours from 3000/4000 level Sociology courses (excluding 3010, 3020, 3030 and 3201)**

*(Required only of General Sociology majors – see note below for individual concentration requirements)*

		3 hrs.
		3 hrs.
		3 hrs.
		3 hrs.
		3 hrs.



**AREA: Residency Requirement**

*A total of 39 hours of 3000 level or above coursework **must be taken at Georgia State University** to satisfy this requirement. This includes all 3000/4000 level courses from above.*


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**FAMILY CONCENTRATION**

**Section 01 – Major Requirements (12 hours)**

*Same as in Section 01 of General Program in Sociology, described above.*

**Section 02 – Family Core Course (3 hours)**

	SOCI 3101	3 hrs.
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**Section 03 – Select one from the following list. (3 hours)**

*SOCI 3152, SOCI 3162, SOCI 4150*

		3 hrs.
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**Section 04 – Select two courses from the list below or the list in section 03 above. (6 hours)**

*SOCI 3110, SOCI 3156, SOCI 3212, SOCI 3216, SOCI 3232, SOCI 3346, SOCI 3352,  
SOCI 3356, SOCI 4116, SOCI 4122, SOCI 4230, SOCI 4310, SOCI 4315, SOCI 4380*

		3 hrs.
		3 hrs.

**Section 05 – Internship (3 hours)**

	SOCI 4980	3 hrs.
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**RACE AND URBAN STUDIES CONCENTRATION**

**Section 01 – Major Requirements (12 hours)**

*Same as in Section 01 of General Program in Sociology, described above.*

**Section 02 – Race and Urban Studies Core Courses (6 hours)**

	SOCI 3212	3 hrs.
	SOCI 4226	3 hrs.

**Section 03 – Select two courses from the list below or the list in section 03 above. (6 hours)**

*SOCI 3208, SOCI 3214, SOCI 3220, SOCI 3222, SOCI 3224, SOCI 3228, SOCI 3232,  
SOCI 3340, SOCI 3346, SOCI 3350, SOCI 3354, SOCI 4218, SOCI 4230,  
SOCI 4279, SOCI 4310, SOCI 4312, SOCI 4360, SOCI 4366, SOCI 4380*

		3 hrs.
		3 hrs.

**Section 04 – Internship (3 hours)**

	SOCI 4980	3 hrs.
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**GENDER AND SEXUALITY CONCENTRATION**

**Section 01 – Major Requirements (12 hours)**

*Same as in Section 01 of General Program in Sociology, described above.*

**Section 02 – Gender and Sexuality Core Courses (6 hours)**

	SOCI 3156	3 hrs.
	SOCI 3216	3 hrs.

**Section 03 – Select two courses from the list below or the list in section 03 above. (6 hours)**

*SOCI 3103, SOCI 3110, SOCI 3152, SOCI 3208, SOCI 3232, SOCI 3340,  
SOCI 3352, SOCI 3354, SOCI 3356, SOCI 4150, SOCI 4218, SOCI 4230,  
SOCI 4311, SOCI 4312, SOCI 4315, SOCI 4366*

		3 hrs.
		3 hrs.

**Section 04 – Internship (3 hours)**

	SOCI 4980	3 hrs.
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**GERONTOLOGY CONCENTRATION**

**Section 01 – Major Requirements (12 hours)**

*Same as in Section 01 of General Program in Sociology, described above.*

**Section 02 – Gerontology Requirements (9 hours)**

	GERO 4116	3 hrs.
	GERO 4200	3 hrs.
	GERO 4610	3 hrs.

**Section 03 – Select one course from the list below. (3 hours)**

*GERO 4110, SW 4260*

		3 hrs.
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**Section 04 – Select one course from the list below. (3 hours)**

*GERO 4110, GERO 4122, GERO 4475, GERO 4500, GERO 8102, SW 4260*

		3 hrs.
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**Section 05 – Internship (3 hours)**

	GERO 4910	3 hrs.
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**SOCIAL STUDIES EDUCATION (SOCIOLOGY) CONCENTRATION**

**Section 01 – Major Requirements (12 hours)**

*Same as in Section 01 of General Program in Sociology, described above.*

**Section 02 – Select one to two courses from each group, for a total of five courses (15 hrs.)**

**Group A.** Family and Life Course (3-6 hours):

*SOCI 3101, SOCI 3110, SOCI 3152, SOCI 3162, SOCI4116*

**Group B.** Race and Urban (3-6 hours):

*SOCI 3212, SOCI 4226, SOCI 4279, SOCI 4310*

**Group C.** Gender and Sexuality (3-6 hours):

*SOCI 3156, SOCI 3216, SOCI 3356, SOCI 4150, SOCI 4311, SOCI 4315*

		3 hrs.
		3 hrs.
		3 hrs.
		3 hrs.
		3 hrs.

**NOTE: Students pursuing this concentration must also choose three allied fields (minor areas) from the following departments, taking nine hours in each, for a total of 27 hours: economics, geography, history, or political science (see these departments for specific course requirements). Students choosing the Sociology Concentration may not select anthropology or psychology as an allied field.**

**Also, in order to gain teacher certification, students completing this degree program should also complete the requirements for a master's degree in social science education (see College of Education for more details).**

## Sociology Course Descriptions

**Soci 1101. Introductory Sociology.** (3) A survey of the discipline of sociology. Topics will include sociological theory, methods, and selected substantive areas.

**Soci 1160. Introduction to Social Problems.** (3) A theoretical and empirical analysis of selected major social problems confronting American society.

**Soci 3010. Social Statistics.** (3) Concepts in research formulation and data analysis including variables and measurement, hypotheses testing, sampling, research design, and analysis.

**Soci 3020. Social Research Methods.** (3) Prerequisite: Soci 3010. Advanced study in techniques of research design, data collection, and management; hypothesis testing.

**Soci 3030. Sociological Theory.** (3) Major theoretical orientations used in sociology from the 1800s to the present.

**Soci 3101. Families and Society.** (3) Key concepts and processes of family sociology with application to sexuality, partner selection, transition to parenthood, parenting and children, housework and paid work, conflict and violence, divorce and remarriage, grandparenting, care giving, and alternative families.

**Soci 3110. Identity, Self, and Social Interaction.** (3) Relations between the individual and society, the role of language and social interaction in the socialization of the person, the function of role taking, and identification in the emergence of the self.

**Soci 3152. Birth and Parenthood.** (3) (Same as WSt 3140) Pregnancy, birth, and parenting; fatherhood and motherhood in a social and historical context.

**Soci 3156. Sexuality and Society.** (3) (Same as WSt 3150) Social construction of sexuality, examining ways human groups attach meaning to emotions, desires, and relationships. Sexuality across the life course including dating, varieties of sexual relationships, birth control, procreative technologies, sexually transmitted diseases and AIDS, and sex and the law.

**Soci 3162. African-American Family.** (3) (Same as AAS 3000) Contemporary theories and research on the African-American family.

**Soci 3201. Wealth, Power, and Inequality.** (3) Analysis of social structure and function in terms of class, caste, status, power, and mobility.

**Soci 3208. Work and Employment.** (3) Meanings and conditions of work, the social implications of the division of labor, the changing structure of the labor force, and group relationships in industry.

**Soci 3212. Race and Ethnic Relations.** (3) The major processes and outcomes that occur when racial or ethnic groups interact. Topics studied are the nature of racism, prejudice, discrimination, cultural pluralism, assimilation, integration, segregation, and immigrant adjustment patterns, as well as methods of resolving problems associated with these phenomena.

**Soci 3214. American Racial-Ethnic Groups.** (3) (Same as Anth 4450) The nature and implications of racial and cultural diversity in the United States, with emphasis on selected racial-ethnic groups' social histories, cultures, and socioeconomic positions, and on key social issues that affect their situations.

**Soci 3216. Gender and Society.** (3) (Same as WSt 3130) Social construction of gender, gender-based stratification, and power dynamics.

**Soci 3220. Activism, Protest, and Revolution.** (3) Conditions which generate social movements and factors affecting their success or failure. Issues include the timing of rebellion, strategies of protest, and the legacies of activism.

**Soci 3222. Deviant Behavior.** (3) Analysis of theories of deviant behavior, study of the control of deviance, and an examination of selected deviant subcultures.

**Soci 3224. Crime and Punishment.** (3) Different approaches to the etiology, treatment, and control of criminal behavior.

**Soci 3225. Youth and Crime.** (3) This course will introduce students to numerous sociological explanations of delinquency. Special attention will be given to the socialization process that places adolescents at risk of delinquency, as well as, the relationships between the socialization process, the family environment, peer associations, social structure, and delinquency.

**Soci 3228. The Holocaust.** (3) (Same as Hist 4640) Historical and social analysis of the mass deprivation and murder of Jews and other people under the policies and auspices of National Socialist Germany, 1933-1945.

**Soci 3232. Poverty and Welfare.** (3) Analysis of social needs and interventions in industrial and post-industrial United States, with an emphasis on the causes of poverty and measures for its alleviation.

**Soci 3340. Population Problems.** (3) Analysis of population from the standpoint of theories, dynamics, composition, fertility, mortality, migration, and economic and social aspects.

**Soci 3346. Drug Use and Abuse.** (3) Phenomenon of drug use and abuse with consideration of alcohol and other psychoactive drugs, including narcotics, marijuana, psychedelics, stimulants, sedatives, tranquilizers, and delirants.

**Soci 3350. Social Change and the Future.** (3) Case studies and theories about the causes and consequences of modern and future social changes. Attention is given to strategies people use to produce social change, methods of forecasting future developments, and experts' ideas of what social patterns to expect in the future.

**Soci 3352. Mental Illness in the United States.** (3) Mental illness within the context of the larger social environment. Analysis of social and cultural factors in the incidence, recognition, course, and community management of mental health problems.

**Soci 3354. Sociology of Popular Culture.** (3) Effects of popular culture, such as TV, tabloids, and films on western and nonwestern societies; effects of social class on taste.

**Soci 3356. Sexual Identity.** (3) Social construction of gay, lesbian, and bisexual identities, contemporary issues, including types and effects of discrimination based on sexual identity.

**Soci 3390. Selected Topics.** (3) May be repeated if topics are different. A maximum of six credit hours may be applied toward the major.

**Soci 3690H. Honors Reading.** (1-6) Prerequisites: consent of instructor and the Honors program director. Readings on selected topics.

**Soci 4110. Aging Policy and Services.** (3) Aging policy, services, and programs emphasizing legislation, funding, planning, the aging network, and the long-term care system.

**Soci 4116. Aging and Society.** (3) Application of sociological theory and methods to the study of aging in society; the impact of urbanization on the aged and the aged on social institutions.

**Soci 4122. Death, Dying, and Loss.** (3) The process of death and dying, including the social roles of the dying person, the family, and those of the hospital and institutional staff; the social factors influencing death; social functions of bereavement; problems in coping created by medical technology and longevity.

**Soci 4150. Sexual and Intimate Violence.** (3) (Same as WSt 4060) Societal causes, power dynamics, and policy implications of rape and sexual violence, battery, psychological/emotional abuse, child abuse and neglect, and elder abuse.

**Soci 4218. Power and Politics.** (3) The relationship between society and the system of government, focusing on the United States, on who rules, and who makes the rules.

**Soci 4226. Urban Sociology.** (3) Analysis of urban society on the basis of the population, social organization, and social relationships of each.

**Soci 4230. Sociology of Health and Illness.** (3) Social causes and effects of illness; beliefs, and behaviors of healthy and sick people; social aspects of health professions training; the social organization and financing of health care; health policy issues such as genetic intervention, organ transplantation, medical technology, and the right to die.

**Soci 4279. Metropolitan Atlanta.** (3) (Same as Hist 4320 and Geo 4768) Interdisciplinary perspective focusing on social, historical, and geographic processes which have shaped the Atlanta region.

**Soci 4310. Issues in the African-American Community.** (3) (Same as AAS 4000) Examination of the impact of major societal issues on the African-American community.

**Soci 4311. African-American Male/Female Relationships.** (3) (Same as AAS 4030) Explores historical, social, psychological, and economic factors impacting upon African-American relationships. Issues explored include negative images and stereotypes, color, beauty, and pornography; sex-gender and role identity, consumerism and narcissism, employment, and others. Gay and lesbian relationships will also be included.

**Soci 4312. African-American Women in the United States.** (3) (Same as AAS 4100) Contemporary social issues of African-American women. Emphasis on the historical roots of current issues and the interrelationships of gender, race, and class.

**Soci 4314. Complex Social Institutions.** (3) Cross-analysis of institutional structures, with emphasis on bureaucracies, power groupings, and relations with community and society.

**Soci 4315. Girls.** (3) (Same as Anth 4320 and WSt 4310) Who “girls” are and how they are socialized in our society. Girls’ experiences with social institutions; growth and development issues; self-esteem and body image; sexuality; culture and media; third-wave feminism; and girls’ movements.

**Soci 4360. Religion and Society.** (3) Religion as a social institution, including its interrelationships with other social institutions and other aspects of society and culture. Analysis of theories of religion and society applied to contemporary religious institutions.

**Soci 4366. Law and Society.** (3) Recruitment, training, and practice in the legal professions. Analysis of the legal system as a social process.

**Soci 4380. Educational Sociology.** (3) Sociological foundations of modern education and the relationships of the school as a social institution to family, church, and community institutions. Emphasis will be placed upon the school and social problems related to rapid urban development.

**Soci 4870H. Honors Thesis: Research.** (1-6) Prerequisites: consent of instructor and the Honors Program director. Readings or research preparatory to honors thesis or project.

**Soci 4880H. Honors Thesis: Writing.** (1-6) Prerequisites: Soc 4870H, consent of instructor and the Honors Program director. Writing or production of honors thesis or project.

**Soci 4910. Gerontology Internship.** (1-6) Supervised practical training in an aging-related agency, organization, or program.

**Soci 4980. Internship.** (1-6) Combined academic training and professional experience in community agencies. Application required. See department adviser for information, including deadlines for applying.