



Sociology for Transfer 2014-2015

Sociology is the scientific or systematic study of human groups and societies and patterns of interaction in real life settings. It uses a variety of research and theoretical perspectives to analyze and explain human social behavior and social change. As all human behavior is essentially social, sociology students examine a wide range of human interactions.

Foothill College's sociology program includes a range of courses that analyze sociological topics and enable students to develop and apply a "sociological imagination" or the ability to examine the broader connections between personal life, public issues and the social structure. Sociology, with its extensive scope of subject matter, provides a valuable major for a diverse range of career paths.

The Associate in Art in Sociology for Transfer degree prepares students for transfer to local California State Universities (CSUs). Students who complete the Associate in Art in Sociology for Transfer degree will be ensured preferential transfer status to local CSUs for sociology majors and majors in related disciplines. The Associate in Art in Sociology for Transfer degree requirements will fulfill the lower division major requirements at many local CSUs.

Students are advised, however, to meet with a counselor to assess the course requirements for specific local CSUs and to validate which CSUs are considered local. The Associate in Art in Sociology for Transfer degree will enable students to develop a strong foundation in social research methods, and understanding patterns of inter-personal behavior, and will also offer a wide variety of electives in sociology courses for students to develop a broad knowledge base of human social behavior. In addition, students will develop strong critical thinking, communication, and problem-solving skills that will prepare them for the requirements of upper division course work.

Program Learning Outcomes:

- Students will be able to demonstrate a working knowledge of the core concepts of sociology (social structure; culture; social stratification and inequality; race, ethnicity, and gender; and globalization).
- Students will be able to apply their understanding of sociology to their professional, personal and civic lives.

Units required for Major: 90

Associate Degree Requirements:

Associate in Arts in Sociology for Transfer requires completion of a minimum of 90 units to include:

- CSU General Education Breadth Requirements or the *Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) (49-58 units) (full certification is required)
- Core & support courses (27-30 units, of which 22 units may satisfy the GE requirement)
- Transferable electives necessary to meet the 90-unit

minimum requirement.

NOTE: All courses pertaining to the major must be taken for a letter grade and must be completed with a grade of "C" or better. In addition, the student must obtain a minimum GPA of 2.0.

*NOTE: Although it is possible to fulfill the requirements for the Associate Degree for Transfer by completing the IGETC for UC pattern, admission to CSU requires completion of an Oral Communication course (IGETC Area 1C; CSU GE Area A-1); therefore, students who plan to transfer to CSU should complete this course as part of their GE or elective units.

Program Type:

AA-T = Associate in Arts for Transfer Degree.

Core Courses: 23-25 Unit(s)

SOC 1 Introduction to Sociology (5 units)

And select TWO courses each from List A & B:

List A:

- SOC 20 Major Social Problems (4 units)
- PSYC 7 Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences (5 units)
- or SOC 7 Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences (5 units)
- or MATH 10 Elementary Statistics (5 units)
- PSYC 10 Research Methods & Designs (5 units)
- or SOC 10 Research Methods & Designs (5 units)

List B:

- *SOC 20 Major Social Problems (4 units)
- *PSYC 10 Research Methods & Designs (5 units)
- or *SOC 10 Research Methods & Designs (5 units)
- *MATH 10 Elementary Statistics (5 units)
- SOC 14 Sociology of Crime (4 units)
- SOC 23 Race & Ethnic Relations (4 units)
- SOC 28 Sociology of Gender (4 units)
- SOC 30 Social Psychology (4 units)
- or PSYC 30 Social Psychology (4 units)
- SOC 40 Aspects of Marriage & Family (4 units)

*may be used to satisfy List B if not completed as part of List A.

Support Courses: 4-5 Unit(s)

Select ONE course from the following:

- ANTH 2A Cultural Anthropology (4 units)
- ECON 25 Introduction to the Global Economy (4 units)
- GEOG 2 Human Geography (4 units)
- PHIL 1 Critical Thinking & Writing (5 units)
- PSYC 1 General Psychology (5 units)
- PSYC 49 Human Sexuality (4 units)