

Fiscal Unit/Academic Org	Sociology - D0777
Administering College/Academic Group	Social And Behavioral Sciences
Co-administering College/Academic Group	
Semester Conversion Designation	Converted with minimal changes to program goals and/or curricular requirements (e.g., sub-plan/specialization name changes, changes in electives and/or prerequisites, minimal changes in overall structure of program, minimal or no changes in program goals or content)
Current Program/Plan Name	Sociology Minor
Proposed Program/Plan Name	Sociology Minor
Program/Plan Code Abbreviation	SOCIOL-MN
Current Degree Title	

Credit Hour Explanation

Program credit hour requirements		A) Number of credit hours in current program (Quarter credit hours)	B) Calculated result for 2/3rds of current (Semester credit hours)	C) Number of credit hours required for proposed program (Semester credit hours)	D) Change in credit hours
Total minimum credit hours required for completion of program		25	16.7	18	1.3
Required credit hours offered by the unit	Minimum	25	16.7	18	1.3
	Maximum	25	16.7	18	1.3
Required credit hours offered outside of the unit	Minimum	0	0.0	0	0.0
	Maximum	0	0.0	0	0.0
Required prerequisite credit hours not included above	Minimum	0	0.0	0	0.0
	Maximum	0	0.0	0	0.0

Program Learning Goals

Note: these are required for all undergraduate degree programs and majors now, and will be required for all graduate and professional degree programs in 2012. Nonetheless, all programs are encouraged to complete these now.

Program Learning Goals

Assessment

Assessment plan includes student learning goals, how those goals are evaluated, and how the information collected is used to improve student learning. An assessment plan is required for undergraduate majors and degrees. Graduate and professional degree programs are encouraged to complete this now, but will not be required to do so until 2012.

Is this a degree program (undergraduate, graduate, or professional) or major proposal? Yes

Does the degree program or major have an assessment plan on file with the university Office of Academic Affairs? Yes

Summarize how the program's current quarter-based assessment practices will be modified, if necessary, to fit the semester calendar.

Our assessment plan will remain unchanged upon conversion to semesters.

Program Specializations/Sub-Plans

If you do not specify a program specialization/sub-plan it will be assumed you are submitting this program for all program specializations/sub-plans.

Pre-Major

Does this Program have a Pre-Major? No

Attachments

- Sociology minor curricular map 9-29-10.pdf: curricular map
(Curricular Map(s). Owner: Bellair, Paul E)
- Sociology minor program conversion 10-18-10.pdf: program proposal
(Program Proposal. Owner: Bellair, Paul E)
- Division Cover Letter for Sociology.doc: Division Cover Letter
(Letter from the College to OAA. Owner: Mumy, Gene Elwood)

Comments

Workflow Information

Status	User(s)	Date/Time	Step
Submitted	Bellair, Paul E	10/18/2010 12:52 PM	Submitted for Approval
Approved	Qian, Zhenchao	10/18/2010 01:27 PM	Unit Approval
Approved	Mumy, Gene Elwood	01/18/2011 08:14 PM	College Approval
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November 22, 2010

Professor Larry Krissek
Chair, Arts and Sciences CCI

Dear Professor Krissek:

At the undergraduate level the Department of Sociology has two major programs:

The Bachelor of Arts Sociology major
The Bachelor of Arts Criminology and Criminal Justice Studies major.

Both of these majors were revised in 2007 and received OAA final approval in the Spring of 2008. Even though recently revised, Department Chair Zhenchao Qian has detailed the careful consideration given by the Department to the semester conversion plans for these two majors and the minimal changes made to the majors in the conversion. These conversion plans were reviewed by me and the Social Sciences Disciplinary Advisory Panel (SS DAP) and we found them to be well thought out.

The SS DAP and I support Sociology's conversion plans and submit them to you for CCI's consideration.

At the undergraduate level Sociology also has four minor programs: 1) Sociology; 2) Criminology and Criminal Justice Studies; 3) Inequality and Society; and 4) Health and Society. The first three were revised in 2009 and the fourth was proposed as a new major and approved at the same time. Because of the recent revisions and introduction of the other minor all of them were converted to semesters with minimal changes. It was appropriate for the SS DAP and I to approve these straightforward conversions of the minors and pass them to you for CCI's consideration

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gene E. Mumy".

Gene E. Mumy
Associate Dean of Arts and Sciences/Social and Behavioral Sciences



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Cover Letter for Proposals from the Department of Sociology

This cover letter reflects on the process by which the Sociology Department developed its proposals to convert major and minor programs from the quarter to semester academic calendar.

Having recently revised all of major and minor programs Sociology was in a good position to begin the conversion process. The department began with a long series of meetings among the Chair (Craig Jenkins), the Director of Undergraduate Studies (Paul Bellair), and the department's advising staff (Lindsey Chamberlain and Shannon Phlegar). Those meetings led to a finished proposal that was presented to and extensively discussed among our faculty during a faculty meeting in Winter and Spring 2010.

On the basis of those discussions and a unanimous vote among faculty in favor of adopting the proposals the changes were finalized. In general, we propose minimal change to the content, names and descriptions of the required courses that comprise the majors/minors and no changes to the structure of the programs. In the case of course changes our goal was to make changes so that the content of courses will be more transparent to our students.

Overall, our program proposals are consistent with the structure of Sociology programs in OSU benchmark institutions. Our assessment data was also consulted throughout discussions. Although assessment data indicate that our programs are effective in achieving learning outcomes, our goal is improvement in rigor of major and minor programs and hence improved performance on our assessment instruments.

The following are the undergraduate *major* programs in the department:

1. Sociology (BA)
2. Criminology and Criminal Justice Studies (BA)

The following are the undergraduate *minor* programs in the department:

1. Sociology
2. Criminology and Criminal Justice Studies
3. Inequality and Society
4. Health and Society

Sincerely,

Zhenchao Qian

Professor and Chair, Sociology Department

Program Rationale for the Sociology Minor

The Sociology minor program was recently revised and we have not had enough experience with those changes to evaluate whether additional revision is warranted. Therefore, we are converting to the semester calendar with a small number of changes. The required coursework in the minor will be identical. The introductory sociology, research methods, and sociological theory requirements remain intact. We propose a change in the course title of the research methods course to make it consistent with usage in the discipline and with how the course is described to students by advisors. The credit hour requirement does not convert to a whole number so we propose to slightly increase it, which will increase the rigor of the program. A final change is that students will take 1 additional elective course.

The minor program currently requires 25 credit hours and a total of 5 courses. Under the semester calendar that is equivalent to 16.67 credit hours ($25 \times .6666$) and roughly 5.5 courses. Given that we do not offer 1 or 2 credit hour courses we propose to change the minor program requirement to 18 hours and a total of 6 courses. The additional course students will take under semester conversion will be distributed into elective coursework.

List of Semester Courses – Sociology Minor

The Sociology minor requires 3 core courses and 3 elective courses:

Core

Soc 1101 – Introductory Sociology

Soc 3487 – Research Methods in Sociology

Soc 3488 – Introduction to Sociological Theory

Any Level Coursework:

Three 2000-5000 level courses

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Sociology Minor (Sociology)

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The Sociology minor is designed to provide undergraduate students with a focused sequence of coursework in sociology that builds knowledge of pressing social issues, applies research methods to elucidate real world problems, and utilizes sociological theory to comprehend contemporary society. The sociology minor provides students with a strong foundation for a wide variety of career settings including federal, state, and local government, law, public policy, social work, and business.

Overview

Students must complete 3 required courses (9 hours) and 3 electives (9 hours) for a total of 18 hours of course work in Sociology. The required courses are: Sociology 1101 (Introduction to Sociology), Sociology 3488 (Introduction to Sociological Theory), and Sociology 3487 (Research Methods in Sociology).

Students that have taken a course that is equivalent to 3487 as part of their major may substitute another course from the list of Sociology electives. For more information please consult with a Sociology academic counselor.

Students majoring in Criminology and Criminal Justice Studies are required to consult with a Sociology academic counselor to develop a curriculum plan.

Sociology 3191 does not count towards the minor.

Required Courses

Sociology 1101, Sociology 3488, Sociology 3487 (or equivalent)

Elective Courses

Sociol 2202, 2210, 2302, 2306, 2309, 2310, 2320, 2330, 2345, H2345, H2367.01, 2367.02, H2367.03, 2370, 2380, 2382, 2391, 3407, 3430, 3434, 3435, 5450, 3460, 3463, 3464, 3467

Sociol 4508, 4509, 3549, 3597.01, 3597.02, 4601, 5605, 4606, 4608, 4610, 4623, 5629, 3630, 4635, 2640, 3655, 4666, 4670, 4671, 4672, 5680, 5694.01, 5694.02, 5694.03, 5694.05, 5694.06, 5694.07, 5694.08, 5694.09, 5694.10, 5694.11, 5694.12, 5694.13, 5694.14, 5694.15,

<u>Course</u>	<u>Quarter</u>	<u>Grade</u>
1101	_____	_____
3488	_____	_____
3487 or equiv.	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Arts and Sciences minor program guidelines

The following guidelines govern this minor.

Required for graduation No

Credit hours required 18 hours

Transfer credit hours allowed A maximum of 6

Overlap with the GE Permitted.

Overlap with the major Not allowed.

- The minor must be in a different subject than the major.
- The same courses cannot count on the minor and on the major.

Overlap between minors Permitted. However, each minor completed must contain 15 unique hours.

Grades required

- Minimum C- for a course to be listed on the minor.
- Minimum 2.00 cumulative point-hour ratio required for the minor.
- Course work graded Pass/Non-Pass cannot count on the minor.

Approval required The minor may be approved by the student's College/School Advising Office via the Degree Audit Report (DAR). If the minor is not complete on the DAR, the student must consult with a Dept. of Sociology advisor.

Filing the minor program form A minor program form is not required. The DAR certifies the minor. The minor must be declared at least by the time the graduation application is submitted to the student's College/School Advising Office.

Changing the minor Once the minor is certified as a part of applying for graduation, any changes must be approved by an advisor in the Dept. of Sociology.

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Overview

Students must complete 3 required courses (15 hours) and 2 electives (10 hours) for a total of 25 hours of course work in Sociology. The required courses are: Sociology 101 (Introduction to Sociology), Sociology 488 (Introduction to Sociological Theory), and Sociology 487 (Types of Sociological Inquiry).

Students that have taken a course that is equivalent to 487 as part of their major may substitute another course from the list of Sociology electives. For more information please consult with a Sociology academic counselor.

Students majoring in Criminology and Criminal Justice Studies are required to consult with a Sociology academic counselor to develop a curriculum plan.

Sociology 489 does not count towards the minor.

Required Courses

Sociology 101, Sociology 488, Sociology 487 (or equivalent)

Elective Courses

Sociol 202, 210, 302, 306, 309, 310, , 320, 330, 345, H345, H367.01, 367.02, H367.03, 370, 380, 382, 391, 407, 430, 434, 435, 450, 460, 463, 464, 467

Sociol, 508, 509, 549, 597.01, 597.02, 601, 605, 606, 608, 610, 623, 629, 630, 635, 640, 649, 652, 653, 655, 666, 670, 671, 672, 680, 694.01, 694.02, 694.03,, 694.05, 694.06, 694.07, 694.08, 694.09, 694.10, 694.11, 694.12, 694.13, 694.14, 694.15

Course	Quarter	Grade
101	_____	_____
488	_____	_____
487 or equiv.	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Arts and Sciences minor program guidelines
The following guidelines govern this minor.

Required for graduation No

Credit hours required 25 hours

Transfer credit hours allowed A maximum of 10

Overlap with the GEC Permitted.

Overlap with the major Not allowed.

- The minor must be in a different subject than the major.
- The same courses cannot count on the minor and on the major.

Overlap between minors Permitted. However, each minor completed must contain 20 unique hours.

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Update 12/28/09

Transition policy

Required courses in the minor will not change during semester conversion. We therefore expect students to complete those 3 courses.

However, the number of elective courses needed to complete the minor program will increase and it is here that we will need to be flexible. Under the quarter system students are required to take a minimum of 5 courses in the minor, 2 of which are elective. Under semesters students will be required to take 6 courses, 3 of which are elective. We will advise students to complete 6 courses for graduation if it is possible, but we will be flexible with students that started their academic career at OSU under the quarter system. For those students we will accept no less than 5 courses in the minor including the 3 required courses listed above to satisfy minor program requirements.

Overall, we are committed to ensuring that students who began their degree under quarters will not be penalized under semesters, either in terms of progress towards their degree or their expected date of graduation.

Quarter to semester conversion of Sociology minor program

<u>Segment of minor program</u>	<u>Quarter course #</u>	<u>Quarter course name</u>	<u>Credit hours</u>	<u>Segment of minor program</u>	<u>Semester course #</u>	<u>Semester course name</u>	<u>Units</u>
Prerequisites (may count in GEC)	none			Prerequisites (may count in GEC)	none		
Required course 1	Soc 101	Introductory Sociology	5	Required course 1	Soc 1101	Introductory Sociology	3
Required course 2	Soc 487	Types of Sociological Inquiry	5	Required course 2	Soc 3487	Research Methods in Sociology	3
Required course 3	Soc 488	Introduction to Sociological Theory	5	Required course 3	Soc 3488	Introduction to Sociological Theory	3
Electives			10	Electives			9

Total credit hours required for minor including pre-requisites

Total credit hours required for minor including pre-requisites

18

Minor program proportion of minimum hours/units for degree (using 180 quarter credit hours and 120 semester units)

0.14

0.15