Transfer Students:

Welcome to the Sociology Major!

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In this talk, we’ll cover . . .

- The Sociology major at UVA
- What courses you should take, and when
- Deferral of the major—your first step
- Which of your transfer courses will count
- How to fill out the Major Deferral form on Docusign

- Information here is aimed at students entering UVA as third-year students
Welcome to the Sociology major

• See our website
  • Just Google: “UVA Sociology”
• You’ll soon be taking small classes
• We offer two OPTIONAL concentrations
  • Crime, Law and Power
  • Global Economy, Organizations and Work
    • These get listed on your transcript
• Our offerings allow other informal concentrations, such as
  • Race and Inequality
  • Health and Society
• Student leaders serve on Sociology Majors Advisory Council [SMAC]
• Distinguished Majors Program leads to graduation with honors
Major requirements in brief

• 30 hours in the major
  • Most majors take 10 courses totaling 32 hours
• Required courses: plan to take these early (like in third year)
  • SOC 1010—Intro
  • SOC 3120—Sociology Research Workshop
  • SOC 3130—Social Statistics
  • SOC 3020—Social Theory
• 2 electives 4000 or above
• 2 electives 3000 or above
• 2 electives any level
Transfer courses, outside courses

• Up to six (6) credits taken outside of the UVA Sociology Department may count toward the major

• “Outside courses” include
  • Most transfer credits in Sociology from your prior institution
  • Closely related courses you take in other departments at UVA
    • With permission
  • Approved sociology courses you take abroad or at another US college

• Again, only 6 such credits (2 courses) can count toward the major
Use the Planning Worksheet to think through:
What to take and when
STUDENT WORKSHEET FOR DECLARING THE MAJOR IN SOCIOLOGY

Name: __________________________ Date: __________________________

1. Prerequisites for the major (6 credits must be completed with a “C” or better by the time you declare):

- SOC 1010
  - Grade & semester completed or planned to complete
  - SOC XXX
  * If you receive transfer credits for SOC 1010, you must take another SOC course at ANY level to make up the credit hours. Transfer students must complete at least 6 credits in the UVA Sociology Department before they can declare.

2. Core requirements (it is advisable to take these at earlier stages of the major):

- SOC 3020
- SOC 3120 (offered only in FALL & SUMMER, prerequisite to SOC 3130)
- SOC 3130** (offered only in SPRING & SUMMER, should be taken AFTER SOC 3120)
  ** If you have already completed (or are in the process of completing) STAT 2110, or ECON 3710, or PSYC 2005/3006 (or any other equivalent course) you can be exempted from SOC 3130. In this case, you must take another SOC course at ANY level instead of SOC 3130.

3. Upper-level requirements*** (4 courses at or above 3000-level, including 2 courses at 4000-level):

- SOC 3000 or 4000
  - Grade & semester completed or planned to complete
- SOC 4000
  - Grade & semester completed or planned to complete
  *** Only 3-year students with a cumulative GPA of 3.4 and above may take courses at 3000-level.

4. Sociology electives (2 courses at ANY level, i.e. 2000-, or 3000-, or 4000-level):

- SOC XXX
  - Grade & semester completed or planned to complete
- SOC XXX

Make sure that you plan to take ten SOC courses altogether, including the prerequisites.

Transfer credits must be approved by the DUP; no more than 6 transfer credits can be accepted.

All grades must be a “C” or above.
Our methods & stats sequence

• SOC 3120 teaches the logic of social science research and reviews the major research methods used in sociology
  • Offered in the Fall
• SOC 3130 teaches essentials of statistical methods used in sociology
  • Offered in the Spring
• It’s best to take these courses early, and in sequence
  • Both are required for the major
• So: enroll THIS FALL in SOC 3120—Sociology Research Workshop

• Both courses offered every summer, as well
• You could be exempt from taking SOC 3130—Social Statistics at UVA
  • See Majors Handbook for details
  • If you are exempt, you will take another SOC elective in place of SOC 3130
You must defer declaration of your SOC major

• All rising third-year transfer students who want to major in Sociology must defer their declaration
• To be admitted to major, you need to complete two Sociology courses
  • Here at UVA
  • With grades of C or better
• Be sure to sign up for at least two SOC courses in your first semester here
  • If you haven’t already taken Intro Sociology, you need to take SOC 1010 this Fall!
• Complete the electronic Major Deferral Form
  • The form is a plan, not a contract
  • You are showing that you understand the requirements
• When your satisfactory grades are recorded in December, you can then declare your Sociology major
Which transfer credits will count?

• Most Sociology courses that you took at your previous college will transfer automatically to UVA.

• They will count as Sociology electives
  • Except for Intro Sociology course

• Limit of 6 outside credits (2 outside courses) applies

• For Intro Sociology course at prior college
  • Counts as a transfer credit, counts toward total non-UVA credits
  • Exempts you from having to take SOC 1010 at UVA
  • Doesn’t count toward the SOC major or count against ‘outside’ course hours
  • You will substitute a SOC elective at any level to fill out your ten courses
How to defer the Sociology major
Step 1: Designate Joyce as “Deferral of Major Contact”

Your name

Your email

Joyce Holleran
jeh6se@Virginia.edu

Joyce will route your form to DUP for review and signature

Leave blank, Joyce will designate
STEP 2: List out your plan for the major

REQUEST TO DEFER DECLARING A MAJOR

Association: Are you or were you ever an  □ Echols Scholar  □ Student Athlete  □ Transfer Student

If none of the above, what was your first-year residence hall? __________________________________________

Intended Date of Graduation:  □ Spring  □ Fall  □ Summer  20 23

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete this form and take it, along with your unofficial transcript, to the Director of the Undergraduate Program for your desired major. An advisor will review your course selections with you and the Director of the Undergraduate Program will sign the form. Return the form to your Association Dean’s assistant in Monroe Hall.

Note: You may defer declaring a major ONLY until the end of your 5th semester. A completed, signed and approved Declaration of Major form must be submitted to the College Registrar in order to be permitted to enroll for a 6th semester.

I hereby request permission to defer declaring a major in Sociology.

Reason for requesting the deferral: complete 2 graded Sociology courses through the University of Virginia before I can declare my major.

I will be able to declare the major by this date: January 1, 2022
List out your plan for 10 courses . . .

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Not sure of future course number? Enter “SOC 4nnn”
Step 3: Sign and send the Docusign form

• Form will go to Joyce Holleran
• She will route form to DUP for review and signature
• DUP will be happy to meet with you
  • Answer questions
  • Discuss your plans
• DUP will review and sign
  • Or return to you for needed changes
• Deferral will be accepted by the College
• Joyce will add your name to our email list of majors
  • You’ll receive departmental news
• Dean Ozment will continue to be your official advisor
  • Until you declare in December 2021 or January 2022
For details on rules and procedures, see the Student Handbook for Majors/Minors

Find it on the Departmental Website as “Undergraduate Handbook”

This has been a brief summary of departmental rules and procedures for Majors.

Further details on major requirements, exemptions & procedures are in the Student Handbook for Majors/Minors and UVA Undergraduate Record.
Takeaways . . .

• Professor Gorman is the 2021-22 Sociology DUP and will be happy to answer your questions
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• Joyce Holleran can guide you through the process and can answer most of your questions
  • jeh6se@virginia.edu

• Sign up for at least 2 UVA SOC courses in Fall 2021
  • One of these should be SOC 3120—Research Workshop

• Plan out your tentative 2-year plan for Sociology

• Submit your deferral form
  • Major Deferral Contact: Joyce Holleran
  • Do it now, or within first two weeks of Fall semester

• You can declare your major after satisfactory Fall grades are posted.
We’re glad you’ll be joining our major!