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2009-2010 CURRICULUM CHECK SHEET is a guide to the requirements of this major. **It is NOT necessary to take these courses in the order given.** Please consult the online Bulletin for specific details (<http://www.lasierra.edu/academics/bulletin>).

		FALL	WINTER	SPRING
FIRST YEAR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * General Sociology (SOCI 104)(4 units) <i>Meets Theme IA</i> _____ * Global Interactions Since the Age of Columbus (HPSC 104)(4 units) <i>Meets Theme IB</i> _____ * Race, Ethnicity & Class in American History (HPSC 106)(4 units) <i>Meets Theme IB</i> _____ First Year Seminar (UNST 101/100)(2-6 units) College Writing (ENGL 111, 112, 113)(9 units) OR (ENGL 124)(4 units) Math Foundational Studies requirement. <i>Choose 1 course from:</i> MATH 115, 121, 155, CPTG 117 (4 units) World Language Foundational Requirement (<i>Proficiency through 153</i>) Lifetime Fitness (PEAC 120)(2 units) Theme IC: Globalization, Identity, & Citizenship. <i>Choose 1 course from:</i> SSCI 104, 105, 106, 107 (4 units) Theme III: Religious Beliefs & Practice (4 units) 	_____	_____	_____
SECOND YEAR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * The Construction of American Political Life (HPSC 274)(4 units) <i>Meets Theme IIB</i> _____ * Critical Analysis (HPSC 275)(4 units) ** Introduction to Statistics (MATH 155)(4 units) Theme IIC: Exploring American Culture. <i>Choose 1 course from:</i> HUMN 204, 205 (4 units) Theme III: Religious Beliefs & Practice (4 units) Theme IVA: Life Science (4 units) Electives 	_____	_____	_____
THIRD YEAR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Impact of Globalization (SOCI 374)(4 units) * Research Methods (HPSC 375)(4 units) * Major Electives: 16 units chosen with department advisor (16 units) Theme IIA: Arts Appreciation or History (4 units) Theme IIB: Historical or Contemporary Culture & Context (4 units) Theme III: Religious Beliefs and Practice. <i>Choose 1 course from:</i> RLGN 304, 305 (4 units) Theme IVB: Physical Science (4 units) Electives 	_____	_____	_____
FOURTH YEAR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Foundations of Social Thought (SOCI 404)(4 units) * Field Placement (SOCI 495)(4 units) * Senior Colloquium (HPSC 497)(1 unit) * Senior Seminar (HPSC 498) (HPSC 497 & 498 meet Upper Division Rhetorical Course Requirement)(3 units) Theme III: Religious Beliefs & Practice (4 units) Theme IVC: Scientific Foundations: <i>Choose 1 course from:</i> NSCI 404, 405, 406, 407 (4 units) Theme V: Religious, Moral & Social Aspects of Sociology (UNST 404)(4 units) Electives to complete 190 quarter units (Psychology or Economics recommended) 	_____	_____	_____
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Major Requirements (56 units) ** Cognate Requirements 	_____	_____	_____

SOCIOLOGY

B.A. Degree

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES AND RELATED OCCUPATIONS: Sociologists study society and social behavior by examining the groups and social institutions people form, as well as various social, religious, political, and business organizations. They also study the behavior and interaction of groups, trace their origin and growth, and analyze the influence of group activities on individual members. They are concerned with the characteristics of social groups, organizations, and institutions; the ways individuals are affected by social traits such as gender, socio-economic class, age, or race on a person's daily life. The results of sociological research aid educators, lawmakers, administrators, and others interested in resolving social problems and formulating public policy.

Most sociologists work in one or more specialties, such as social organization, stratification, and mobility; racial and ethnic relations; education; family; social psychology; urban, rural, political, and comparative sociology; gender roles and relations; demography; gerontology; criminology; or clinical practice—such as marriage and family therapy, addiction counseling; probation/police officer, mental health aide, child development, labor relations specialist, etc.

EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS: Educational attainment of social scientists is among the highest of all occupations. The Ph.D. or equivalent degree is a minimum requirement for most positions in colleges and universities and is important for advancement to many top level nonacademic research and administrative posts. Graduates with Master's degrees in applied specialties usually have better professional opportunities outside of colleges and universities. Graduates with a Master's degree in social science qualify for teaching positions in junior colleges. Bachelor's degree provide a suitable background for many entry-level jobs, such as research assistant, administrative aide, or management or sales trainee. With the addition of sufficient education courses, social science graduates also can qualify for teaching positions in secondary and elementary schools.

JOB OUTLOOK: Overall employment of social scientists is expected to grow more slowly than average for all occupations through 2014. However, projected growth rates vary by specialty. Sociologists will find jobs in policy or research.

ENTERING SALARY: The National Association of Colleges and Employers reports that for Spring 2008, the median wage level average for sociologists was **\$60,290.**

SOURCES OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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