Anthropology and Sociology (BA)

This program is offered by the College of Arts & Sciences/Global Languages, Cultures and Societies Department and is only available at the St. Louis home campus.

Program Description
Courses in anthropology and sociology (ANSO) are designed to help students develop a critical appreciation of the social-structural and social-cultural dimensions of human behavior and beliefs. They provide the analytic tools and conceptual knowledge to examine and explain social change, various forms of inequality and their consequences, diverse social-cultural identities and experiences, and complex relationships between individual lives and social-cultural forces at local and global scales.

Learning Outcomes
• Describe the major concepts, theoretical perspectives, empirical findings and historical trends in the fields of cultural anthropology and sociology.
• Explain and apply research methods in sociology and cultural anthropology, including research ethics and the analysis and interpretation of quantitative and qualitative data.
• Examine and describe contemporary social problems/issues through social-cultural and social-structural analyses.
• Compare the diversity of human behaviors, beliefs, social structures and ethnocultural experiences at local and global scales.

Degree Requirements
For information on the general requirements for a degree, see Baccalaureate Degree Requirements under the Academic Policies and Information section of this catalog.
• 36 required credit hours
• 3 international language requirement credit hours
• Applicable University Global Citizenship Program hours
• Electives

Special Requirements
• Within the required 36 credit hours for the major, 12 credit hours must be at the 3000-level and above.
• No more than 9 credit hours obtained in practica, independent learning experiences, reading courses and assessment of prior learning may be applied toward the 36 credit hours required for the major.
• Transfer students can apply up to 12 credit hours of approved anthropology or sociology coursework from other colleges/universities toward the major.
• Students must complete the 36 credit hours for the major as specified below with a grade of C- or better.

International Language Requirement
• A minimum of 3 credit hours in a non-native language is required in addition to the requirements for the major. Courses used toward the international language requirement may also be used to fulfill general education requirements or a major/minor in a foreign language.
• Transfer students who have completed their 3 credit hours at an institution of higher education are considered to have fulfilled the requirement, as are students who have scored a "3" or higher on an Advanced Placement exam in a non-native language.
• For students whose native language is not English, a passing grade on the TOEFL will count as their foreign language requirement. Students who are from bilingual families but have no evidence of academic study of the second language on a transcript will need to take one course.

Curriculum
Within the 36 credit hours for the major, students are required to complete the following courses:
• ANSO 1000 Introduction to Sociology (3 hours)
  or ANSO 1060 Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (3 hours)
• ANSO 1800 Careers in Anthropology and Sociology (3 hours)
• ANSO 2850 Introduction to Research Methods (3 hours)
• ANSO 3560 Theories in Anthropology and Sociology (3 hours)
• ANSO 3910 Social Science Lab (3-6 hours)
• ANSO 4950 Senior Thesis (3 hours)
• ANSO Electives (17-20 hours)