

Anthropology and Sociology (BA)

This program is offered by the College of Humanities and Social Sciences/Global Languages, Cultures and Societies Department and is only available at the St. Louis main 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 analysis.
- 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.

- 33 required credit hours
- 3 international language requirement credit hours
- Applicable University Global Citizenship Program hours
- Electives

Special Requirements

- Within the required 33 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 33 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 33 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

Required Courses

Within the 33 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 (1 hour)
- ANSO 2850 Introduction to Research Methods (3 hours)
- ANSO 3560 Theories in Anthropology and Sociology (3 hours)
- ANSO 4950 Senior Thesis (3 hours)
- ANSO Electives (17-20 hours)

Electives

- ANSO 1050 Global Social Problems (3 hours)
- ANSO 1075 Introduction to Archaeology (3 hours)
- ANSO 1085 Human Origins (3 hours)
- ANSO 1095 Introduction to Geography: World and Regional (3 hours)
- ANSO 1800 Careers in Anthropology and Sociology (1-2 hours)
- ANSO 2015 Issues in Society and Culture (1-4 hours)
- ANSO 2025 Topics in Archaeology (3 hours)
- ANSO 2060 Culture and Communication (3 hours)
- ANSO 2070 Introduction to Sex, Gender and Sexuality (3 hours)
- ANSO 2200 Peoples and Cultures (3 hours)
- ANSO 2300 Social Movements (3 hours)
- ANSO 2460 Good Intentions: The Need to Help (3 hours)
- ANSO 2530 World Music (3 hours)
- ANSO 2540 Environmental Anthropology and Sociology (3 hours)
- ANSO 2610 Introduction to Social Work (3 hours)
- ANSO 2690 Food and Culture (3 hours)
- ANSO 2720 Introduction to Measurement and Statistics (3 hours)
- ANSO 2760 Urban Studies (3 hours)
- ANSO 2790 Asians in America (3 hours)
- ANSO 2890 Health, Illness and Power (3 hours)
- ANSO 2950 Community Practicum (3 hours)
- ANSO 3100 Topics in Anthropology and Sociology (3 hours)
- ANSO 3110 Advanced Topics in Archaeology (3 hours)
- ANSO 3130 Race and Ethnicity (3 hours)
- ANSO 3340 NGOs in a Global Arena (3 hours)
- ANSO 3560 Theories in Anthropology and Sociology (3 hours)
- ANSO 3630 Independent Reading Course (3 hours)
- ANSO 3910 Social Science Lab (3 hours)
- ANSO 4110 Advanced Studies in Anthropology and Sociology (3 hours)
- ANSO 4175 Globalization (3 hours)
- ANSO 4250 Class, Status, and Power (3 hours)
- ANSO 4300 Global Sex, Gender and Sexuality (3 hours)
- ANSO 4575 Immigration and Demography (3 hours)
- ANSO 4630 Advanced Independent Reading Course (3 hours)
- ANSO 4700 Advanced Social Science Lab (1-6 hours)
- ANSO 4950 Senior Thesis (3 hours)