

Seven “CORE” CLASSES (3 credits each)- All Sociology Majors* are required to take the following courses:

These SIX classes (18 core credits):

- SOC 101 - Introduction to Sociology **3 credits**
- SOC 201 - Introduction to Research Methods **3 credits**
- SOC 305 - Social Theory **3 credits**
- SOC 318 - Quantitative Data Analysis **3 credits**
- SOC 301 - Field Research **3 credits**
- SOC 497 - Senior Thesis Project **3 credits**

Capstone
Sequence

Plus, ONE of the following (to earn 3 more core credits):

- SOC 211 - Social Problems **3 credits**
- SOC 225 - Social Inequality/Stratification **3 credits**
- SOC 306 - Social Movements **3 credits**



CORE CONSIDERATIONS-- IMPORTANT Things to know about the ABOVE

➤ **Capstone Sequence:**

- **SOC 301** (Field Research) and **497** (Senior Thesis Project) are to be taken sequential semesters during your senior year (Student’s “senior year”/last 2 semesters of coursework for degree completion). This is because your Senior Thesis is built upon Field Research you conducted the previous semester under the guidance of the same instructor.

Most typically, it looks like this: Fall Semester of Senior Year: SOC 301 → Spring Semester of Senior Year: SOC 497

But can also look like this: Spring Semester of Junior Year: SOC 301 → Fall Semester of Senior Year: SOC 497

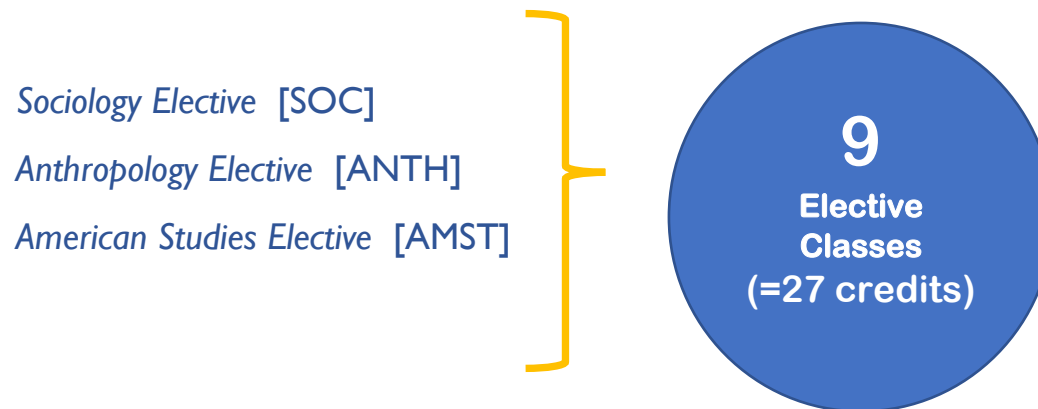
➤ **SOC 211 or SOC 225, or SOC 306:**

- Any one of these classes can be used to satisfy this 3-credit CORE requirement. If you take any of the other two, these will be applied towards electives credit.
- As you can see, two of these courses are lower-division, so be mindful of where you are in terms of fulfilling enough upper-division credits (minimum= 21 upper-division).

*Sociology Majors with an emphasis in Social Work are required to take four additional courses: SOC 293 – Introduction to Social Work, SOC 393 – Child Abuse, and SOC 492A – Social Work Practicum, and one of the following: SOC 225, SOC 350, SOC 404. Social Work Emphasis students are only required to take 18 elective credits.

Nine “ELECTIVES” (27 credits total)– All sociology majors are required to complete 27 units of elective courses.

- Access the Student Center and Log-in to my.Chapman.edu to see which courses are being offered in the upcoming/current semester.
- See All Department Course Offerings (Official Catalog) for what counts as elective credit for sociology
- Note: Catalog usually indicates how often a course is offered, so you can plan accordingly.



Since the majority of these are **3** credits, this typically means: **NINE CLASSES** from the list of approved courses for Sociology electives credit. The specific compilation is shaped by student’s interests, course availability, **21** upper-division credit minimum, and other such considerations.

Keep an eye out for Experimental Courses (SOC 329) and other special courses offered on interesting topics (3 Sociology Elective credits each).

16 classes
(total credits= 48)