

**Are you a transfer student?
Interested in a sociology major?
PLU v03/06**

The Sociology major is built upon a set of cumulative competencies (substantive, as well as methodological, knowledge and skills). Courses are built sequentially over a 3 or 4 year period. **The major requires 40 hours; the minor requires 20 hours.**

General Guidelines:

The Department accepts other university/college/community college courses on: Introduction to Sociology (PLU – SOCI 101) and Social Problems (PLU-SOCI 240).

If you are transferring additional sociology course work, you will have to petition the department for each course. In order to process your petition, the Department requires the course syllabus (along with a reading list, exams and/or papers) from the term (semester or quarter) you completed the course. Please contact the Department Chair for more information (soci@plu.edu).

Please note: The Department does not accept community college transfer credit for statistics. For the major, you must successfully complete Statistics 233 at PLU.

The Department will accept up to 20 transferred credits for majors; up to 10 transferred credits for minors.

If you are transferring as a SOPHOMORE:

Recommended course work:

Sociology 101	Introduction to Sociology (several sections each semester)
Sociology 240	Social Problems (offered at least 2x year)
Statistics 233	Introduction to Statistics (offered 2x year)

If you are transferring as a JUNIOR:

The Department assumes that you have earned credit for Sociology 101 and Sociology 240 from your previous school(s).

Recommended course work:

Sociology 397	Research Methods (offered 2x year)
Statistics 233	Introduction to Statistics (offered 2x year)
Sociology 330	Family (offered 2x year)
Sociology 336	Deviance (offered 2x year beginning AY06-07)

If you have NO previous sociology credit, regardless of your junior status, it will take you approximately 5-6 semesters to complete your sociology major.

If you are transferring as a SENIOR:

Your major status will be determined by the Department faculty, based on an assessment of prior course work (non-PLU). (See General Guidelines above.) A minimum of 20 PLU sociology hours are required for graduation. Faculty will determine whether you are adequately prepared to begin your senior sequence. It is possible that it may take more than two (2) semesters to complete your sociology major. [Note: Pacific Lutheran also has a general university requirement that your last 32 credits must be completed at PLU.]