

Sociology & Anthropology (SOAN)

Courses required for the first year: None
Courses recommended for the first year: SOAN 101, SOAN 102
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The Major in Sociology & Anthropology

Required Courses

Course Number	Course Name	Learning Perspective/ Suffix	Prerequisites	Usually offered: F, J, SP, SU*	Credits
SOAN101	Introduction to Sociology	PS, D		F, SP	4
SOAN102	Introduction to Anthropology	PS, G		F, SP	4
SOAN303	Social Science Research Methods			F	4
SOAN301 or SOAN302	Sociological Theory or Anthropological Theory		SOAN 101 or SOAN102 or permission of instructor	F, SP	4
SOAN450	Senior Inquiry/Capstone			F, SP	4
SOAN Electives	Students must take at least 12 credits in electives from the department. At least 8 credits must be at the 300-level or higher.			F, J, SP, SU	12

The Minor in Sociology & Anthropology

Required Courses

Course Number	Course Name	Learning Perspective/ Suffix	Prerequisites	Usually offered: F, J, SP, SU*	Credits
SOAN101 or SOAN102	Introduction to Sociology or Introduction to Anthropology	PS, D PS, G		F, SP	4
SOAN303	Social Science Research Methods			F	4
SOAN301 or SOAN302	Sociological Theory or Anthropological Theory		SOAN 101 or SOAN102 or permission of instructor	F, SP	4
SOAN Electives	Students must take at least 8 credits in electives from the department. At least 4 credits must be at the 300-level or higher.			F, J, SP, SU	8

Major Overview

Sociology & Anthropology students can customize the major in many ways, depending on their interests, and faculty help align these choices with specific career paths in sociology and anthropology. Students also have opportunities to collaborate with their faculty on research in sociology and anthropology. Each year, majors showcase their research on campus or at state, regional and/or national conferences. Students also complete internships in areas such as non-governmental organizations and non-profit sectors, public health, business, education, and publishing. Employers value Augustana sociology and anthropology graduates for their transferable skills in research, writing and oral communication, and their knowledge of social organizations, social relations, and collective behavior. Augustana graduates are employed in community relations, human resources, social planning, legal professions, marketing, research, criminal justice, and more. Our graduates often make their careers in non-governmental organizations and non-profit sectors, in public health, in museums, education, publishing, or business. Students are prepared for careers in the increasingly complex network of human services, including child and family welfare, health care, counseling, community organizing, policy analysis, and program planning. Augustana's graduates in sociology and anthropology have also attended graduate school in sociology, anthropology, archaeology, museum studies, public health, law, public administration, social work, criminal justice, education leadership, and counseling.

*Fall, J term, Spring, Summer; see [Academic Calendar](#) for specific dates

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