

TO: President John E. Van de Wetering

FROM: The Faculty Senate Meeting on March 28, 1988
(Date)

RE: X I. Formal Resolution (Act of Determination)
 II. Recommendation (Urging the fitness of)
 III. Other (Notice, Request, Report, etc.)

SUBJECT: Requirements for a Sociology Major



Signed Richard E. Gray Date Sent 3/30/88
(For the Senate)

TO: The Faculty Senate

FROM: President John E. Van de Wetering

RE: I. Decision and Action Taken on Formal Resolution

a. Accepted. Effective Date Fall 88

b. Deferred for discussion with the Faculty Senate on _____

c. Unacceptable for the reasons contained in the attached explanation

II., III. a. Received and acknowledged

b. Comment:

DISTRIBUTION: Vice Presidents: (see attached list)

Others: _____

Distribution Date: 4/4/88 Signed: [Signature]
(President of the College)

Date Received by the Senate: _____

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY

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Chairperson: Edward C. Lehman; *Professors:* Kramer, LaSorte, Lehman, Vanfossen; *Associate Professors:* Deyo, Gale, Halley, Mariner, Rutzen; *Assistant Professor:* Steinbauer; *Visiting Assistant Professors:* Halsey, Lashbrook; *Professor Emeriti:* Hess, Potter.

Sociology is the study of group life: its characteristics, changes, causes and consequences. It combines scientific and humanistic perspectives in the study of urban and rural life, family patterns and relationships, social change, intergroup relations, social class, mass media and communications, health seeking behavior, as well as social movements and community responses to disasters, natural and created.

Sociology is a valuable liberal arts major not only for students planning careers in Social Research, Criminology, Demography or Social Psychology, but also for those pursuing a course of study in Public Administration, Gerontology, Education, Nursing, Rehabilitation, Social Work and Market Research. Sociology provides a useful background to students planning to enter law, business, medicine, community planning, architecture and politics.

Requirements for the Sociology Major:

The Sociology major requires students to earn 30 credit hours in Sociology. All majors must complete the four core courses (12 credit hours) listed below.

Core Courses:

1. SOC 100 Introduction to Sociology, or
SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology with Computer
2. SOC 200 Social Statistics
3. SOC 300 Sociological Theory
4. SOC 310 Methods of Sociological Research

Additionally, 18 credit hours of elective courses in SOC must be taken. It is recommended that students complete at least one course from each of the three course clusters listed below.

Course Clusters:

A: Social Organization

- SOC 302 Mass Culture
- SOC 304 Urban Sociology
- SOC 306 Social Change: U.S. and
the Third World
- SOC 322 Human Relations in Small Groups
- SOC 325 Social Class, Wealth and Power

SOC 350 Dynamics of Modern Organizations
SOC 352 Sociology of Work

B: Social Institutions

SOC 312 Religion, Society and the Individual
SOC 314 Black Family
SOC 351 Industrial Sociology
SOC 359 Black Church
SOC 361 Sex, Marriage and the Family
SOC 412 Schools, Learning and Society
SOC 493 Mass Media in American Society

C: Social Issues and Problems

SOC 210 Social Problems
SOC 317 Prejudice, Personality and Culture
SOC 432 Sociology of Health and Medicine
SOC 442 Population Problems and Dynamics
SOC 464 Gender Roles and Social Change
SOC 465 Sociology of Aging
SOC 475 Criminal and Deviant Behavior

Requirements for the Sociology Minor:

The Sociology Minor requires that students complete SOC 100 or SOC 101 and 15 credit hours from other Sociology courses.