

# Sociology Bachelor of Arts

Effective beginning Academic Year 2022-23 (Last revised April 27, 2023)

The following table outlines how transfer credits will be applied to the Bachelor of Arts in Sociology degree at Kent State University for students who completed an Associate of Arts or Associate of Science degree via the Ohio Guaranteed Sociology Transfer Pathway. The OGTP designation guarantees the transfer and applicability of credits, but does not guarantee admission to a program. Some bachelor-degree granting programs may be competitive, and students should check with individual institutions for their program admission requirements.

COURSE EQUIVALENCIES FROM THE ASSOCIATE DEGREE	Course Number	Credit Hours
GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS/OHIO TRANSFER 36		
Any Ohio Transfer 36 approved First Writing (TME001) course	ENG 11011	3
Introductory Statistics (TMM010) recommended	MATH 10041	4
Any Ohio Transfer 36 approved Arts and Humanities course (Recommended: Humanities related)	Ohio Transfer 36 Elective*	3
Any Ohio Transfer 36 approved Arts and Humanities course (Recommended: Arts related)	Ohio Transfer 36 Elective*	3
Introduction to Sociology (OSS021)	SOC 12050	3
Any approved Ohio Transfer 36 Social and Behavioral Sciences course (outside of sociology)	Ohio Transfer 36 Elective*	3
Any Ohio Transfer 36 approved Natural Sciences course	Ohio Transfer 36 Elective*	3-4
Any Ohio Transfer 36 approved Natural Sciences course with lab	Ohio Transfer 36 Elective*	3-4
Any Ohio Transfer 36 approved Second Writing (TME002) course	ENG 21011	3
Up to 9 additional hours of Ohio Transfer 36 approved courses	Ohio Transfer 36 Electives*	9
PRE-MAJOR/BEGINNING MAJOR		
Introduction to Sociology (OSS021) (counted as part of the Ohio Transfer 36)	SOC 12050	0
Marriage and Family (OSS023)	SOC 24011	3
Social Problems (OSS025)	SOC 22778	3
Race and Ethnicity (OSS050)	SOC 32569	3
OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS		·
Foreign Language	Varies*	6-8
Electives	Varies*	6-9
TOTAL HOURS FROM ASSOCIATE DEGREE:		60-65
Advising Notes:		

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(\*) Indicates that coursework will be evaluated for applicable equivalency upon transfer at the university. If a Transfer Assurance Guide (TAG) course is taken, the approved course equivalency will be awarded.



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The following additional coursework will be required to complete the Bachelor of Arts in Sociology degree at Kent State University after a student has completed an Associate of Arts or Associate of Science Ohio Guaranteed Sociology Transfer Pathway degree. This coursework is for the General concentration, however Kent State University does offer other concentrations that require different coursework. Please refer to the last page of this document for more information about other concentrations. Some bachelor-degree granting programs may be competitive and admission into the program is not guaranteed. Students should check with individual institutions for their program admission requirements.

REMAINING COURSEW	ORK TO COMPLETE BACHELOR'S DEGREE	Course Number	Credit Hours
University Requirement:	Global Diversity Course (if not already completed during the associate degree) <sup>1</sup>	Varies	0-3
College Requirement:	Two Additional Foreign Language Courses <sup>2</sup>	Varies	6
Major Requirement:	Researching Society	SOC 32210	3
Major Requirement:	Data Analysis	SOC 32220	3
Major Requirement:	Data Analysis Laboratory	SOC 32221	1
Major Requirement:	Sociological Theories	SOC 42126	3
Major Requirement:	Upper-division Sociology Electives	SOC 3/4xxxx	12
General Electives:	General Electives <sup>3</sup>	Varies	21-32
REMAINING COURSEWORK TO COMPLETE BACHELOR'S DEGREE TOTAL:⁴		55-60	

#### **Advising Notes:**

Completion of the Ohio Transfer 36 will satisfy the entire set of Kent Core requirements.

- <sup>1</sup> Students must complete the Kent State diversity course requirement, which includes one course with a domestic diversity focus (fulfilled by Sociology requirements) and one course with a global diversity focus from the approved list. These can often be fulfilled as part of the associate degree with careful course selection. Please work with your advisor to identify appropriate courses.
- <sup>2</sup> Assumes the student has completed the first two semesters of the foreign language sequence prior to entering Kent State.
- <sup>3</sup> The College of Arts and Sciences requires that students successfully complete a minimum of 39 upper-division credit hours.
- <sup>4</sup> Kent State requires a total of 120 credits hours for bachelor's degree completion. The total number of hours to complete the bachelor's degree represents a range of hours that may be needed depending on the individual course selections made during the associate degree program.

COMPLETE BACHELOR'S DEGREE	Total Credit Hours
BACHELOR'S DEGREE TOTAL:	120

### SPECIAL NOTES

For more information, please contact: Department of Sociology pathways@kent.edu https://www.kent.edu/sociology



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## SAMPLE DEGREE MAP

## THIRD YEAR

SEMESTER 5		
Course Name & Number	Credit Hours	
Foreign Language	3	
SOC 32210 Researching Society	3	
General Elective	3	
Upper-division Sociology Elective	3	
Upper-division General Elective	3	
Total Semester 5 Credit Hours	15	

SEMESTER 6		
Course Name & Number	Credit Hours	
Foreign Language	3	
SOC 32220 Data Analysis	3	
SOC 32221 Data Analysis Laboratory	1	
Sociology Elective	3	
General Elective	3	
General Elective	2	
Total Semester 6 Credit Hours	15	

## FOURTH YEAR

SEMESTER 7		
Course Name & Number	Credit Hours	
SOC 42126 Sociological Theories	3	
Upper-division Sociology Elective	3	
Upper-division General Electives	3	
General Elective	3	
General Elective	3	
Total Semester 7 Credit Hours	15	

SEMESTER 8		
Course Name & Number	Credit Hours	
Upper-division Sociology Elective	3	
General Elective	3	
Upper-division General Elective	3	
Upper-division General Elective	3	
Upper-division General Elective	3	
Total Semester 8 Credit Hours	15	



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The Sociology Bachelor of Arts Ohio Guaranteed Transfer Pathway is tailored to the **General concentration**. The **General concentration** is for students who either choose not to pursue a specialization within the major or wish to pursue an individualized program of study (through sociology electives) that does not align with the substantive concentrations. The following concentrations are also available:

- The Family and Life Course Sociology concentration introduces students to the cultural, political and historical realities and changes in families across the lifespan. Courses examine issues such as gender socialization, dating and romance, cohabitation, marriage, divorce, parenthood, domestic violence, death and dying, family diversity and family policy. This concentration is relevant to students interested in careers in health care promotion, public health, family counseling, long-term care institutions, program planning, community education and policy analysis.
- The **Medical Sociology concentration** introduces students to the relationship between society and health. In this concentration, students study the impact of social, cultural, political and economic factors on health (and vice-versa). Courses in this area examine issues such as health behavior, physical and mental illnesses, doctor-patient interaction, medicalization, health care reform, health care delivery and health policy. This concentration is relevant for students interested in careers in administrative and program planning related to medicine, mental health, social services, patient advocacy, mental health facilities and nursing homes.
- The Social Change and Social Justice concentration trains students to recognize the conditions and contexts of social stasis and social upheaval; promote understanding of how and why social movements succeed or fail; and cultivate an interest in public sociology. Students in the concentration are encouraged to pair traditional course work with an internship or other experiential learning opportunity.
- The **Social Inequalities concentration** examines how social structural factors, such as age, gender, race, ethnicity, social class and sexuality relate to power, social status, wealth, income, health and morality. Courses in this area examine issues of poverty, race and ethnic inequality, sexism, age discrimination, neighborhood segregation, labor market processes and income disparity. This concentration is relevant for students interested in careers related to human or social services, nonprofit and community organizations, research and government agencies and human resources.
- The **Social Problems, Deviance and Crime concentration** examines a variety of social problems with special emphasis on types of behavior that are inconsistent with social norms, challenge to social order and are illegal. This concentration also examines the role of morality, public opinion, politics, government, law, and institutions of social control in the definition of, as well as the response to, social problems, deviance and crime. While containing some overlap with other concentrations in the Criminology and Justice Studies major, the sociological perspective here suggests important commonalities across the studies of crime, deviance and social problems, as well as the relevance of broad sociological themes, including critical inquiry, empirical research and increased awareness of social context. This concentration provides relevant preparation for students interested in further study in the areas of public safety, social policy, social services and civil service and graduate studies in law or social science. It can also be a convenient and constructive resource enabling a double major between Sociology and Criminology and Justice Studies.
- The **Sociological Social Psychology concentration** introduces students to the sociological approach to social psychology. Courses in this area examine theoretical perspectives that link structural factors such as gender, social class and race to individual factors and behaviors such as self-concept, identity, deviance and mental health. Courses typically include an overview of specific sociological topics such as socialization, emotions, social influence, group conflict and decision-making, prejudice and discrimination, status and power and interpersonal relationships. This concentration provides a foundation for students interested in careers or graduate work that focus on the many connections between individuals and the groups to which they belong.

Students interested in a different concentration will need to complete different required courses. Interested students should contact pathways@kent.edu.