

**UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SANTA CRUZ**  
**NEW STUDENT MAJOR ADVISING SUMMARY FOR 2018-2019 FROSH**

Students are admitted to UCSC with a "proposed major" in most cases, and later petition to officially declare the major. Admission to UCSC does not guarantee acceptance into a particular major. Students must be declared in a major by the end of the second year (or equivalent), so learning about and preparing for a major is a primary goal for first-year students.

**Major: SOCIOLOGY**

**Importance of an early start:** This major is not highly sequential or course intensive. Although it is advisable to begin taking courses toward the major in the first year, it is not required.

**Qualification requirements and/or prerequisites for the major:** Students who pass two of the lower division courses with a grade of C+ or better will be allowed to declare the sociology major. Students may choose from:

Sociology 1, Sociology 10, or Sociology 15. Students may not repeat classes in which they earned a C or better to meet this requirement.

**Frosh who intend to pursue this major should do the following things prior to the beginning of fall term...**

- Students should review the major requirements on the Sociology website and understand the major's qualification and graduation requirements.

**...and should take these courses their first term:** SOCY 1 and/or SOCY 15 if possible.

**Sample first year plan:**

Fall: SOCY 1: *Introduction to Sociology* and/or  
SOCY 15: *World Society*

Winter: SOCY 10: *Issues and Problems in American Society*

Spring: SOCY 1: *Introduction to Sociology* (if not taken in fall)

**Skills important for success in this major:** Critical reading skills, analytical writing abilities, sociological analysis of race, class, gender, and culture.

**Other information:** A Sociology with GISES concentration major and a combined major with Latin American and Latino Studies are also offered. Contact the adviser for information if you are interested in either of these possibilities.

**Links to More Information:** <http://admissions.ucsc.edu/academics/majors/> (general info)  
<http://registrar.ucsc.edu/catalog/programs-courses/>  
(major requirements, course descriptions, etc.)  
<http://sociology.ucsc.edu/undergraduate/> (program website)

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