

# SOCIOLOGY - MINOR

College of Sciences and Humanities  
 Department of Sociology and Criminology  
[www.kent.edu/sociology](http://www.kent.edu/sociology)

## About This Program

The Sociology minor provides students with a broad understanding of the theoretical, methodological and substantive issues relevant to the field, as well as the tools necessary to apply this knowledge to other areas of study. Students explore the intersections between culture, social structure and individual behavior by examining issues related to social inequality, health and healthcare, deviance, families and family violence, urban communities, social psychology and more.

The skills developed in the Sociology minor allow students to connect their own life experiences to the experiences of other people, communities and cultures.

## Contact Information

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- Speak with an Advisor
  - Ashtabula Campus
  - East Liverpool Campus
  - Geauga Campus
  - Kent Campus
  - Stark Campus

## Program Delivery

- **Delivery:**
  - Fully online
  - Mostly online
  - In person
- **Location:**
  - Ashtabula Campus
  - East Liverpool Campus
  - Geauga Campus
  - Kent Campus
  - Stark Campus

## Admission Requirements

Admission to a minor is open to students declared in a bachelor’s degree, the A.A.B. or A.A.S. degree or the A.T.S. degree (not Individualized Program major). Students declared only in the A.A. or A.S. degree or the A.T.S. degree in Individualized Program may not declare a minor. Students may not pursue a minor and a major in the same discipline.

## Program Requirements

### Minor Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Minor Requirements</b>		
SOC 12050	INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY (KSS)	3

SOC 22570	UNDERSTANDING DIFFERENCES AND INEQUALITY	3
or SOC 22778	SOCIAL PROBLEMS (KSS)	
or SOC 24011	INTERPERSONAL RELATIONSHIPS AND FAMILIES	
Sociology (SOC) Upper-Division Electives (30000 or 40000 level)		12
<b>Minimum Total Credit Hours:</b>		<b>18</b>

## Graduation Requirements

Minimum Minor GPA	Minimum Overall GPA
2.000	2.000

- Minimum 12 credit hours in the minor must be upper-division coursework (30000 and 40000 level).
- Minimum 6 credit hours in the minor must be outside of the course requirements for any major or other minor the student is pursuing.
- Minimum 50 percent of the total credit hours for the minor must be taken at Kent State (in residence).

## Program Learning Outcomes

Graduates of this program will be able to:

1. Describe how sociology is similar to and different from other social sciences.
2. Show how one’s personal life is shaped by the time and place in which one lives.
3. Demonstrate how institutions of family, education, religion, medicine and the economy are interrelated.
4. Understand the interrelationships between social structures and individuals in society.
5. Distinguish between individualistic, cultural and structural explanations of social events.