

Human Services and Sociology, BS (Boston)

Overview

Students pursuing a combined major in human services and sociology will integrate the theoretical understandings of these two fields to better understand organizational and group behavior and their implications for individuals and communities utilizing human services. The human services coursework prepares students for careers in social change by providing students with the theoretical and skill-based background necessary for practice and research. The sociology coursework prepares students to rigorously analyze the social, political, and economic spheres of society at the local and global levels. Students will develop a holistic understanding of preventative and reactive responses to social inequality and an understanding of how to impact change at the individual and structural levels. The combined major provides students with the conceptual and practical tools to understand how various features of society affect its members as well as how people create social change.

Program Requirements

Complete all courses listed below unless otherwise indicated. Also complete any corequisite labs, recitations, clinicals, or tools courses where specified and complete any additional courses needed beyond specific college and major requirements to satisfy graduation credit requirements.

Universitywide Requirements

All undergraduate students are required to complete the Universitywide Requirements (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/university-wide-requirements/>).

NUPATH Requirements

All undergraduate students are required to complete the NUPATH Requirements (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/nupath/>).

Human Services Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Human Services Required Courses		
HUSV 1101	Social Change and Human Services	4
HUSV 2300	Counseling in Human Services	4
HUSV 3570	The Nonprofit Sector, Philanthropy, and Social Change	4
HUSV 3900	Social Policy	4
Human Services Electives		
Complete five additional HUSV courses.		20

Sociology Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Required Sociology Courses		
SOCL 1101	Introduction to Sociology	4
SOCL 3300	Social Theory	4
Introductory Electives		
Complete two courses between SOCL 1000 and SOCL 2999 not used to satisfy another requirement		8
Intermediate-Level Elective		
Complete two courses between SOCL 3000 and SOCL 4999 not used to satisfy another requirement		8

Research Methods Requirement

Code	Title	Hours
Complete one required methods course, one required statistics course, and one qualitative methods course:		
HUSV 2970	Research Methods for Human Services	12
or SOCL 2321	Research Methods in Sociology	
or INSH 3101	Research Methods in the Social Sciences	
SOCL 2320	Statistical Analysis in Sociology	12
or INSH 3102	Introduction to Statistics in the Social Sciences	
or POLS 2400	Quantitative Techniques	
or CRIM 3700	Analyzing and Using Data on Crime and Justice	
SOCL 2323	Ethnographic Methods	12
or ANTH 3410	Ethnographic Field Experience	

Human Services/Sociology Integrative Course

Code	Title	Hours
Complete one integrative course from the following list:		4
HUSV 2355	Race, Identity, Social Change, and Empowerment	
ANTH 3100	Gender, Social Justice, and Transnational Activism	
SOCL 3450	Class, Power, and Social Change	

Capstone Requirement

Code	Title	Hours
Complete one capstone course from either department:		4
HUSV 4700	Senior Seminar in Human Services	
SOCL 4600	Senior Seminar	

Sociology Major Grade Requirement

A GPA of 2.000 for major courses is required.

Human Services and Sociology Combined Major Credit Requirement

Complete 80 semester hours in the major.

Experiential Liberal Arts

All students in this College of Social Sciences and Humanities program are required to complete the Experiential Liberal Arts Requirement (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/social-sciences-humanities/#ela>).

Program Requirement

128 total semester hours required

Plan of Study

Sample Plan of Study

FOUR YEARS, TWO CO-OPS IN SUMMER SECOND HALF/FALL

Year 1							
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours
HUSV 1101		4 MATH 1215		4 Elective		4 HUSV Elective	4
ENGW 1111		4 HUSV 2300		4 HUSV Elective		4 SOCL Elective	4
SOCL 1101		4 SOCL Elective		4			
SOCL 1000 or HUSV 1000		1 HUSV Elective		4			
SOCL Elective		4					
17		16		8		8	
Year 2							
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours
HUSV 3570		4 EESH 2000		1 Elective		4 Co-op	0
HUSV 2970, SOCL 2321, or INSH 3101		4 SOCL 2323 or ANTH 3410		4 SOCL Elective		4	
SOCL 2320 or INSH 3102		4 SOCL Elective		4			
Elective		4 HUSV elective		4			
		Elective		4			
16		17		8		0	
Year 3							
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours
Co-op		0 HUSV 3900		4 ENGW 3315		4 Co-op	0
		Elective		4 Elective		4	
		SOCL 3300		4			
		Elective		4			
0		16		8		0	

Year 4

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
Co-op		0 HUSV 4700 or SOCL 4600	4
		Integrative course	4
		Elective	4
		Elective	4
	0		16

Total Hours: 130