



ADVISING WORKSHEET
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE MAJOR IN SOCIOLOGY
GENERAL BULLETIN 2025-2026

TRANSFER INSTITUTION(S):

Montana State University Billings
Advising Center
Phone: 406-657-2240
Fax: 406-657-2302
advising@msubillings.edu
www.msubillings.edu/advice/

Name _____

Student ID # _____

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS – SEE ATTACHED PAGE FOR SPECIFIC COURSES

Category I: Global Academic Skills (10 credits) A. Mathematics (3 credits) <i>STAT 141 and STAT 216 – Major requirements</i> B. English (3 credits)					
C. Communication & Information Literacy (3 credits) <i>LSCI 125 – Major requirement</i>					
D. Skills for College Success ¹ (1 credit)	COLS 108				
Category II: Natural Sciences ² (6 credits) A. Life Sciences (3 credits)					
B. Physical Sciences (3 credits)					
Category III: Social Sciences and History (6 credits) A. Social Science (3 credits) <i>SOCI 101 or SOCI 201 are major requirements</i> B. History (3 credits)					
Category IV: Cultural Diversity (3 credits)					
Category V: Arts & Humanities (6 credits) A. Fine Arts (3 credits)					
B. Humanities (3 credits) <i>PHL 110 – Major requirement</i>					

¹ In addition to the MUS Transfer Policies (see MUS Core Curriculum (<https://catalog.msubillings.edu/undergraduate/admissions-registration/registrar-office/>), transfer and re-admit students who transfer in 30 or more credits are not required to meet this category.

² Some majors are required to take specific science labs as part of their requirements. Please speak with an advisor for more information.

A minimum grade of “C-” required in all General Education courses.

Note: Certain degrees may require a minimum grade of “C” in General Education courses.

Reviewed:

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

CATEGORY I: GLOBAL ACADEMIC SKILLS 10 credits

Students are required to take one course from each subcategory

Subcategory A - Mathematics 3 credits

M	105	Contemporary Mathematics	3
M	114	Extended Technical Mathematics	3
M	121	College Algebra	3
M	122	College Trigonometry	3
M	130	Mathematics for Elementary Teachers I	3
M	140	College Math for Healthcare	3
M	143	Finite Mathematics	4
M	161	Survey of Calculus	3
M	171	Calculus I	4
STAT	141	Introduction to Statistical Concepts	3
STAT	216	Introduction to Statistics	4

Subcategory B - English 3 credits

WRIT	101	College Writing I	3
WRIT	121	Introduction to Technical Writing	3
WRIT	122	Introduction to Business Writing	3

Subcategory C- Communication & Information Literacy 3 credits

BMIS	150	Cyber Security and Electronic Communication	3
COMX	111	Introduction to Public Speaking	3
COMX	115	Introduction to Interpersonal Communication	3
COMS	210	Communication in Small Groups	3
HONR	205	Honors Inquiry and Research	3
LSCI	125	Research in the Information Age	3

Subcategory D – Skills for College Success ¹ 1 credit

COLS	108	The College Experience	
------	-----	------------------------	--

CATEGORY II: NATURAL SCIENCES 6 credits

Students are required to take one course from Life Sciences and one course from Physical Sciences, which include lab exercises. ²

Subcategory A – Life Sciences 3 credits

BIOB	101	Discover Biology ³	3
BIOB	102	Discover Biology Lab ³	1
BIOB	120	Fundamentals of Biology Plants and People ³	3
BIOB	121	Fundamentals of Biology for Allied Health	3
BIOB	123	Fund of Biology: The Nature of Nutrition	3
BIOB	160	Principles of Living Systems	3
BIOB	161	Principles of Living Systems Lab ³	1
SCIN	101	Integrated Sciences I ^{3^}	4

Subcategory B – Physical Sciences 3 credits

ASTR	110	Introduction to Astronomy	3
ASTR	111	Introduction to Astronomy Lab ³	1
CHMY	121	Introduction to General Chemistry	3
CHMY	122	Introduction to General Chemistry Lab ³	1
CHMY	141	College Chemistry I	3
CHMY	142	College Chemistry Laboratory I ³	1
GEO	101	Introduction to Physical Geology	3
GEO	102	Introduction to Physical Geology Laboratory ³	1
GPHY	111	Introduction to Physical Geography	3
GPHY	112	Introduction to Physical Geography Lab ³	1
PHSX	103	Our Physical World ³	3
PHSX	104	Our Physical World Lab ³	1
PHSX	205	College Physics I	3
PHSX	206	College Physics I Lab ³	1
SCIN	103	Integrated Sciences II ^{3^}	4

CATEGORY III: SOCIAL SCIENCES AND HISTORY 6 credits

Students are required to take one course from each subcategory

Subcategory A – Social Sciences 3 credits

BGEN	105	Introduction to Business	3
COMX	106	Communicating in a Dynamic Workplace	3
ECNS	201	Principles of Microeconomics	3
ECNS	202	Principles of Macroeconomics	3
EDU	105	Education and Democracy	3
GPHY	141	Geography of World Regions	3
HTH	110	Personal Health and Wellness	3
PSCI	220	Introduction to Comparative Government	3
PSCI	210	Introduction to American Government	3
PSYX	100	Introduction to Psychology	3
SOCI	101	Introduction to Sociology	3
SOCI	201	Social Problems	3

Subcategory B - History 3 credits

HSTA	101	American History I	3
HSTA	102	American History II	3
HSTR	159	World History to 1500 CE	3
HSTR	160	Modern World History	3
PSCI	230	Introduction to International Relations	3

CATEGORY IV: CULTURAL DIVERSITY 3 credits

ANTY	220	Culture and Society	3
ARTH	160	Global Visual Culture	3
COMX	212	Introduction to Intercultural Communication	3
GPHY	121	Human Geography	3
HTH	270	Global Health Issues	3
LIT	230	World Literature	3
MUSI	207	World Music	3
NASX	105	Introduction to Native American Studies	3
NASX	205	Native Americans in Contemporary Society	3
REHA	201	Introduction to Diversity in Counseling	3
RLST	170	The Religious Quest	3
SPNS	150	The Hispanic Tradition	3
WGSS	274	Women Culture & Society	3

CATEGORY V: ARTS & HUMANITIES 6 credits

Students are required to take one course from each subcategory

Subcategory A – Fine Arts 3 credits

ARTZ	105	Visual Language-Drawing	3
ARTZ	106	Visual Language-2-D Foundations	3
ARTZ	108	Visual Language-3-D Foundations	3
ARTZ	131	Ceramics for Non-majors	3
CRWR	240	Intro Creative Writing Workshop	3
FILM	160	Introduction to World Cinema	3
LIT	270	Film & Literature	3
MUSI	101	Enjoyment of Music	3
MUSI	114	Band: MSUB Symphonic	1
MUSI	131	Jazz Ensemble I: MSUB	1
MUSI	147	Choral Ensemble: University Chorus	1
PHOT	154	Exploring Digital Photography	3
THTR	101	Introduction to Theatre	3

Subcategory B - Humanities 3 credits

ARTH	150	Introduction to Art History	3
HONR	111	Perspectives and Understanding	3
LIT	110	Introduction to Literature	3
LIT	240	The Bible as Literature	3
PHL	110	Introduction to Ethics	3
PHL	111	Philosophies of Life	3
PHL	254	People and Politics	3

¹ In addition to the MUS Transfer Policies (see MUS Core Curriculum (<https://catalog.msubillings.edu/undergraduate/admissions-registration/registrar-office/>), transfer and re-admit students who transfer in 30 or more credits are not required to meet this category.

² Some majors are required to take specific science labs as part of their requirements. Please speak with an advisor for more information.

³ Course includes lab exercises.

[^] Elementary Education majors can satisfy Natural Sciences by taking SCIN 101 and SCIN 103.

Course			Credits	Grade	Semester	Equivalent
--------	--	--	---------	-------	----------	------------

Foundation Courses

A minimum grade of “C-” is required in all Sociology major coursework.

*HTH	110	Personal Health and Wellness	3			
*LSCI	125	Research in the Information Age	3			
*PHL	110	Introduction to Ethics	3			
*SOC1 or *SOC1	101 201	Introduction to Sociology Social Problems	3			
*STAT or *STAT	141 216	Introduction to Statistical Concepts Introduction to Statistics	3 4			
WRIT or WRIT or WRIT	201 220 221	College Writing II Business and Professional Writing Intermediate Technical Writing	3			

Core Sociology Courses

SOCI	400	Applied Research Methods	3			
SOCI	402	Theories of Society and Social Behavior	3			
SOCI or CJUS	491 491	Special Topics Special Topics	3			
SOCI	498	Internship/Cooperative Education	3			
SOCI	499	Senior Thesis/Capstone	3			

*May satisfy General Education requirements.

Sociology Restricted Electives – Select at least two courses from each area below plus one additional course from the supporting coursework list for a total of 21 credits. At least 18 restricted elective credits must be upper division.

Area 1: Social Structure and Social Inequalities

SOCI	326	Sociology of Gender	3			
SOCI	332	Sociology of the Family	3			
SOCI	430	Social Inequalities	3			
SOCI	434	Sociology of Human Sexuality	3			

Area 2: Criminology

CJUS	427	Deviance and Social Control	3			
SOCI	311	Criminology	3			
SOCI	330	Juvenile Delinquency	3			
SOCI	416	Sociology of Hunting and Poaching	3			

Area 3: Populations, Health, and Environments

SOCI	346	Rural Sociology	3			
SOCI	370	Sociology of Globalization	3			
SOCI	380	Sociology of Health and Medicine	3			
SOCI	470	Environmental Sociology	3			

Supporting Coursework

CJUS	335	Victimology	3			
CJUS	375	Inequality in Criminal Justice	3			
CJUS	480	Crime Theory and Data	3			
NASX	476	American Indian Policy and Law	3			
SOCI or CJUS	294 294	Seminar/Workshop Seminar/Workshop	V			
SOCI	382	Social Psychology and Social Structure	3			
SOCI	401	Animals and Society	3			
SOCI	492	Independent Study	V			
SOCI or CJUS	494 494	Seminar/Workshop Seminar/Workshop	V			
*WGSS	274	Women, Culture and Society	3			

Electives

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN SOCIOLOGY

Categories	Credits	Earned	Remaining
General Education Requirements	31	_____	_____
Required Courses	33	_____	_____
Restricted Sociology Electives	21	_____	_____
^Minor/Second Major (may vary)	V	_____	_____
Electives (may vary)	V	_____	_____
Total	120	_____	_____

It is the student's responsibility to know and meet the requirements for graduation.

A minimum of 36 credits must be upper division classes (300 and above).

^Sociology majors are expected to complete a minor or second major, selected in consultation with their academic advisor.

NOTES: