Sociology develops skills in analyzing, synthesizing, generalizing, and communicating information and knowledge. Courses stress both logical and data analysis as well as careful and thoughtful reading, discussion, and writing. Sociology’s subject matter includes relationships among economic, political, cultural, and social factors and explores the impact of such forces on individuals and society. This inclusive framework and general training lies at the heart of a liberal education for lifetime learning.

A major in sociology will prepare students to undertake graduate studies in sociology, and admission to other professional and graduate programs in medicine, health, law, urban planning, social work, education, and business. It is also an excellent preparation for a wide variety of occupations in business and industry, the justice system, community and social services, government, education, social justice, and research.

**Degree Program**

- BA with Major in Sociology (http://catalog.uic.edu/ucat/colleges-depts/liberal-arts-sciences/soc/ba)

**Minor**

- Minor in Sociology (http://catalog.uic.edu/ucat/colleges-depts/liberal-arts-sciences/soc/minor)

**Distinction**

To be considered for Distinction, students must obtain a 3.00/4.00 overall GPA, plus the following:

- 3.50/4.00 GPA in the major for Distinction;
- 3.75/4.00 GPA in the major for High Distinction;
- 3.75/4.00 GPA in the major, SOC 499, and completion of a senior thesis for Highest Distinction.

**Note:** The GPA will be calculated using all of the credits that are being applied to the degree—from UIC and from any transfer institution.