

Abilene Approval Chart for Curriculum Changes

A = Approve I = Information Item R = Respond In Writing

Course Number: _____ **or Degree Plan(s):** **SOCI Minor**

The Department of Communication and Sociology would like to make the following changes to our Sociology (SOCI) minor:

- Add a new course, SOCI 445 (Sports and Society).
- Reopen a course, SOCI 477 (Sociology of Religion).

		Dept./School	College	Dean	TEC	AUAC/Grad	Provost
	Campus-Level Academic Review¹						
	Change to a Course Include signatures from all chairs/program directors for cross-listed courses. ¹						
1.	Title (description unchanged)	A	A	A	I	I	I
2.	Description (not affecting content)	A	A	A	I	I	I
3.	Course term(s)	A	I	A	I	I	I
4.	Content (change of course outcomes)	A	A	A	I	I	A
5.	Number of credit hours	A	A	A	A	A	A
6.	Course number within the hundred	A	A	I	I	I	I
7.	Course number beyond the hundred	A	A	A	A	A	A
8.	Prerequisites	A	A	A	I	I	I
9.	Course restriction (e.g., majors only, junior standing)	A	A	A	A	A	A
10.	Level change (U to G or G to U)	A	A	A	A	A	A
11.	Cross list course	A	A	A	A	A	A
12.	Department of record	A	A	A	A	A	A
13.	Open or close a course	A	A	A	A	A	A
	Change to a Degree Plan						
14.	Educational Program — Revise	A	A	A	A	A	A
15.	Educational Program — Adopt/revise admission requirements	A	A	A	A	A	A
16.	GPA — Revise program-required GPA	A	A	A	A	A	A
17.	Minor — Revise	A	A	A	A	A	A

		Dept./School	College	Dean	TEC	AUAC/Grad	Provost	Campus Faculty	Senior VPAA	President
	Full Review									
	Change to Catalog Information (for Campus)									
18.	General requirements for Bachelor's and Associate Degrees	-	-	-	-	A	A	A	A	I
19.	Policies governing academic probation and suspension	-	-	-	-	A	A	A	A	I
20.	Requirements for graduating with honors	-	-	-	-	A	A	A	A	I
	Change to a Degree Plan									
21.	Educational Program — Add or Discontinue ²³	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	I
22.	Educational Program — Discontinue (Provost-proposed)	R	-	R	A	A	A	A	A	I
23.	Minor — Add or Discontinue	A	A	A	A	A	A	-	A	I
24.	Minor — Discontinue (Provost-proposed)	R	-	R	A	A	A	-	A	I
25.	Degree — Add or Discontinue	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	I
26.	Degree — Discontinue (Provost-proposed)	R	-	R	A	A	A	A	A	I

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	Change to General Education Requirements for Undergraduates (System)									
27.	Change course outcomes of an included course	A	A	A	A	A	A	-	A	I
28.	Add or drop a required course from the General Education Requirements	A	-	A	-	A	A	A	A	I
29.	Add or drop a course from a menu within the General Education Requirements	A	-	A	-	A	A	-	A	I
30.	Comprehensive revision of General Education Requirements	-	-	-	-	A	A	A	A	I

Notes

² Any change to a cross-listed course requires the signature of both department chairs or program directors overseeing the course to ensure that the courses stay in sync. This includes courses taught at other campuses (e.g. BIBL 101 and BIBO 101).

³ For undergraduate majors, a minimum of 30 hours is required. These programs must have a minimum of 6 elective hours, unless the requirements of external accrediting bodies make it impossible. Master's programs must include a minimum of 30 hours, and doctoral programs must include a minimum of 30 hours beyond the master's.

⁴ When a department/school or dean proposes closing a program, approval routing follows the typical process beginning with the department/school. An administrative proposal by the provost or senior vice president for academic affairs would follow the "provost-proposed" routing on the chart.

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Department/School(s)



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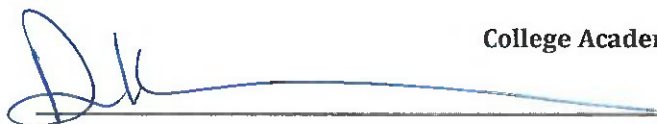
Chair Signature

Date

Chair/Program Director Signature

Date

College Academic Council(s)



3/20/26

Chair Signature

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Chair Signature

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Dean(s)



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Signature

Date

Signature

Date

Teacher Education Council

Signature

Date

Campus Academic Council:
Abilene Undergraduate or Abilene Graduate

Signature

Date

Provost

Signature

Date

University General Education Council

Signature

Date

University Faculty

Abilene Faculty Senate Chair signature

Date

Dallas Faculty Council Chair signature

Date

Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

Signature

Date

President

Signature

Date

Minor: Sociology (SOCI)

Choose 15 hours from:

- [SOCI 111 - Introduction to Sociology](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [SOCI 222 - Social Problems](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [SOCI 368 - Sociology of the Family](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [SOCI 370 - Sociology of Gender and Sexualities](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [SOCI 385 - Social Theory](#) Credit Hours: 3 (writing-intensive course)
- [SOCI 442 - Race and Racisms](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [SOCI 445 - Sports and Society](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [SOCI 450 - Sociology of Health and Medicine](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [SOCI 477 - Sociology of Religion](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [SOCI 460 - Ethics and Social Issues](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [SOCI 480 - Inequality and Social Justice](#) Credit Hours: 3

Choose 3 hours from:

- [COMM 345 - Intercultural Communication](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [COMM 450 - Gender Communication](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [GOVT 371 - Women in Politics](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [GOVT 393 - Peace, Power and Politics](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [HIST 250 - Introduction to Gender and Multicultural Studies in the US](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [HIST 270 - Introduction to Latin American Studies](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [HIST 275 - Introduction to Africana Studies](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [HIST 330 - African American History from Emancipation to Civil Rights](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [HIST 334 - Historical Perspectives on Gender and Sexualities](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [SOCW 329 - Diversity, Equity, and Belonging in Practice](#) Credit Hours: 3

Total: 18 Credit Hours

