

Sociology, BA

Honors

Honors in the Major

Students have the opportunity to graduate with honors in the major. Departmental honors students must maintain a grade-point average (GPA) of at least 3.33 in all University of Iowa courses and in all sociology courses. In order to graduate with honors in sociology, the following coursework must be completed.

Course #	Title	Hours
SOC:4997	Honors Seminar	1
SOC:4998	Honors Research (honors thesis)	2-3

The honors thesis is prepared under faculty supervision. It gives students the opportunity to conduct sociological research in close consultation with a faculty member of the student's choice.

Honors students must also take at least one sociology course numbered 3000 or above with honors designation, including graduate courses (honors designation requires instructor approval). Learn more about honors courses on the University of Iowa Honors Program website.

National Honor Society

The department sponsors a chapter of Alpha Kappa Delta International Sociology Honor Society. Students who have a cumulative GPA of 3.30, a sociology GPA of at least 3.00 (with four sociology courses), and have attained junior or higher standing are considered for membership. Consult the Alpha Kappa Delta faculty advisor for details.

University of Iowa Honors Program

In addition to honors in the major, students have opportunities for honors study and activities through membership in the University of Iowa Honors Program. Visit Honors at Iowa to learn about the university's honors program.

Membership in the UI Honors Program is not required to earn honors in the sociology major.