

Sociology Transfer Pathway AA - 60 credits

(Fall 2025)

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Program Description

The Sociology Transfer Pathway AA offers students a powerful option: the opportunity to complete an Associate of Arts degree with course credits that directly transfer to designated sociology bachelor's degree programs at Minnesota State universities. The curriculum has been specifically designed so that students completing this pathway degree and transferring to one of the seven Minnesota State universities enter the university with junior-year status. All courses in the Transfer Pathway associate degree will directly transfer and apply to the designated bachelor's degree programs in a related field.

Universities within the Minnesota State system include Bemidji State University; Metropolitan State University; Minnesota State University, Mankato; Minnesota State University, Moorhead; Southwest State University; St. Cloud State University; and Winona State University.

Pre-program Requirements

To begin this program, you need to be at a specific skill level in English/reading and math.

English/Reading:

- Eligible for ENGL 1106 - College Composition I, or
- Completion of ENGL/READ 0950/0955 (or equivalent or higher). ENGL/READ 0950/0955 may not be taken concurrently with Semester I coursework.

Mathematics:

A college level math course is required for graduation. Students must satisfy course pre-requisites for college level math courses, which may require more than one semester of additional math. Connect with your advisor for assistance with course placement.

There are other ways to qualify. Visit [Course Placement](http://lsc.edu/course-placement) (lsc.edu/course-placement) to find out more.

Required Courses

Course	Course Title	Credits	MnTC Goal Area	Term
FYE 1000	First Year Experience	1		
SOC 1111*	Intro to Sociology	3	5, 7A	
SOC 1114* or SOC 2120*	Criminal Justice in Society or Social Problems	3	5, 9 5, 9	
SOC 1125* or SOC 1170 or Goal Area 8 course	Social Deviance or Drugs and Society	3	5, 8 5, 8	
SOC 1145* or SOC 1165* or SOC 1185*	Race, Class, and Gender or Patterns of Domestic Violence or Gender, Power and Society	3	5, 7A 5, 9 5, 7A	
SOC 1155* or Goal Area 7 course	Human Sexuality	3	5, 7A	
SOC 2123* or Goal Area 10 course	People and the Environment	3	5, 10	
COMM 1100* or COMM 1105*	Intro to Communication or Interpersonal Communication	3	1	
ENGL 1106*	College Composition I	3	1	
ENGL 1109*	College Composition II	3	1	
HPER	HPER course(s)	2		
PSYC 2145* or non-Sociology Goal Area 5 course	Social Psychology	3	5, 7A	
	Goal Area 3: Natural Science	6	3	
	Goal Area 4: Mathematical/Logical Reasoning	3	4	
	Goal 6: Humanities & Fine Arts	9	6	
	Unrestricted Electives	9		

Total Credits

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*Courses may require a prerequisite



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For interpretation of test results and selection of appropriate coursework; or general information about the program, admissions, financial aid, and getting started at LSC, contact the [professional advising team](mailto:advising@lsc.edu) (advising@lsc.edu) or 218-733-7601

Program Outcomes

A student completing Lake Superior College's Minnesota State Sociology Transfer Pathway and transferring into a designated bachelor's program in Sociology at a Minnesota State university will have junior standing and may complete the bachelor's degree within an additional 60 credits. You will be able to transfer to the following designated majors at Minnesota State universities:

At Bemidji State University:	Sociology, BA
At Metropolitan State University:	Social Science, BA; Applied Sociology, BA; Sociology, BA
At Minnesota State, Mankato:	Applied Sociology, BS; Sociology, BS;
At Minnesota State, Moorhead:	Sociology, BA
At Southwest Minnesota State	Sociology, BA
At St. Cloud State University:	Sociology, BA; Sociology, BA (Concentration in Critical Applied Sociology)
At Winona State University:	Sociology, BA

In order to graduate and be guaranteed admission to a Minnesota State university's designated program you must earn an overall grade point average as indicated by the university to which you will transfer.

For more information about the Sociology Transfer Pathway including course descriptions, course prerequisites, and potential career opportunities, see the [program website](https://www.lsc.edu/degrees/sociology-transfer-pathway-aa/) (https://www.lsc.edu/degrees/sociology-transfer-pathway-aa/)

or

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Suggested course sequence for a full time student averaging 15 credits per semester

First Semester:	Credits
FYE 1000 First Year Experience	1
ENGL 1106 College Composition I	3
HPER course(s)	2
Goal Area 3 Course	3
SOC 1111 Introduction to Sociology	3
SOC 1155 Human Sexuality or other goal area 7 course	3

Second Semester	Credits
Sociology Elective B course: SOC 1145 Race, Class and Gender or SOC 1165 Patterns of Domestic Violence or SOC 1185 Gender, Power and Society	3
ENGL 1109 College Composition II	3
COMM 1100 Introduction to Communication or COMM 1105 Interpersonal Communication	3
Goal Area 6 course	3
Unrestricted elective	3

Third Semester	Credits
SOC 1125 Social Deviance or SOC 1170 Drugs and Society or other Goal Area 8 course	3
Sociology Elective A course: SOC 1114 Criminal Justice in Society or SOC 2120 Social Problems (meets Goal Area 9)	3
Goal Area 3 Course	3
Goal Area 6 Course	3
Unrestricted Elective	3

Fourth Semester	Credits
SOC 2123 People and the Environment or other Goal Area 10 course	3
PSYC 2145 Social Psychology or other non-sociology Goal Area 5 course	3
Goal area 4 course	3
Goal Area 6 Course	3
Unrestricted Elective	3
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Below is a list of suggested unrestricted electives

Course	Course Title	Credits	MnTC Goal Area
PSYC 1120	General Psychology	3	5
PSYC 1135	Lifespan Development	3	5, 7A
PSYC 1140	Abnormal Psychology	3	5
COMM 1115	Intercultural Communication	3	1, 7A