Sociology and Cultural Anthropology, BA

The Department of Sociology and Anthropology at Northeastern University offers a combined major in sociology and cultural anthropology that offers students various opportunities for community engagement, experiential learning, and development of research skills using quantitative and qualitative methods. Students study the disciplinary histories, practices, and methods of sociology and sociocultural anthropology; identify foundational and contemporary debates within and across these two disciplines; and evaluate their contributions to our understanding of local and global societies and cultures.

Program Requirements

Complete all courses listed below unless otherwise indicated. Also complete any corequisite labs, recitations, clinicals, or tools courses where specified and complete any additional courses needed beyond specific college and major requirements to satisfy graduation credit requirements.

Universitywide Requirements

All undergraduate students are required to complete the Universitywide Requirements (http://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/university-wide-requirements/).

BA Language Requirements

All BA students are required to complete the BA degree language requirements, for a total of 12 semester hours of language study or demonstrated equivalent proficiency, as described in Additional Requirements for BA students (http://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/nupath/ba-requirements/). Successful demonstration of proficiency does not reduce total minimum semester hours of study required to earn the BA degree.

NUpath Requirements

All undergraduate students are required to complete the NUpath Requirements (http://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/nupath/).

Sociology Major Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Required Sociology		
SOCL 1101	Introduction to Sociology	4
SOCL 2321	Research Methods in Sociology	4
SOCL 3300	Social Theory	4
or ANTH 3421	Foundations of Anthropological Theory	
Sociology Electives		
Introductory Electives		
Complete two courses in the following range:		8
SOCL 1110 to SOCL 1999		
Intermediate Elective		
Complete two courses in the following range:		8
SOCL 2000 to SOCL 3999		
Advanced Elective		
Complete one course in the following range:		4
SOCL 4000 to SOCL 4999		

Cultural Anthropology Major Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Cultural Anthropology		
ANTH 1101	Peoples and Cultures	4
ANTH 3410	Ethnographic Field Experience	4
Advanced Area Courses		
Complete two of the following:		8
ANTH 4350	Ethnography of Southeast Asia	
ANTH 4500	Latin American Society and Development	
ANTH 4505	Native North Americans	
ANTH 4510	Anthropology of Africa	
ANTH 4515	Culture and Politics in Modern India	

Anthropology Electives

Complete five ANTH courses. One study-abroad course may also count toward this requirement with prior permission from the department.	20

Integrative Requirement

Students must choose between a one-semester senior project, which they would complete in the context of Senior Seminar (ANTH 4600) or Senior Seminar (SOCL 4600), or a two-semester senior thesis, which would require them to also enroll in a fall-semester directed study.

Code	Title	Hours
Required Course		
ANTH 2305	Global Markets and Local Culture	4
Capstone		
SOCL 4600	Senior Seminar	4
or ANTH 4600	Senior Seminar	

Sociology and Cultural Anthropology Major Grade Requirement

A GPA of 2.000 across all major courses is required.

Sociology and Cultural Anthropology Combined-Major Credit Requirement

Complete 76 semester hours in the major.

Experiential Liberal Arts

All students in this College of Social Sciences and Humanities program are required to complete the Experiential Liberal Arts Requirement (http://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/social-sciences-humanities/#ela).

Program Requirement

128 total semester hours required

Plan of Study

Year 1

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours
ANTH 1000	1	ANTH 3410	4	Elective	4	Elective	4
ANTH 1101 (one anthropology elective)	4	Anthropology elective	4	Elective	4	Elective	4
Anthropology elective	4	SOCL 2321	4				
Sociology elective	4	Sociology elective	4				
Elective	4						
	17		**16**		**8**		**8**

Year 2

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours
Sociology elective	4	SOCL 3300	4	Anthropology area course (4000 level)	4	Co-op	
Anthropology area course (4000 level)	4	Sociology elective	4	Elective	4		
Anthropology elective	4	ANTH 2305	4				
Elective	4	Elective	4				
	16		**16**		**8**		**0**

Year 3

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours
Co-op		Anthropology elective	4	Elective	4	Co-op	
		Elective	4	Elective	4		
		Elective	4				
		Elective	4				
	0		**16**		**8**		**0**

Year 4

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
Co-op		ANTH 4600	4

	SOCL 4600 (students may take ANTH 4600 or SOCL 4600)	
	Elective	4
	Elective	4
	Elective	4
0		**16**

Total Hours: 129