## General Studies with a Sociology Concentration and Respective Benchmark

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### Qualifying Level: First Semester Freshman Year

- Complete minimum of 15 credits in General Education
- Earn 2.5 grade point average

### Level 1: Second Semester Freshman Year through First Semester Sophomore Year

- Complete SOCI 101 with grade of “C” or better
- 30 hours (total 41 credit minimum) of general education courses with an overall gpa of 2.5 (i.e., ENGL 101, ENGL 102, ENGL 203, ENGL/001, MATH 102 or higher, Science and Lab, PSYC 200)
- Complete 6 hours of SOCI courses (300 – 400 level) with grade of “C” or better

### Level 2: Second Semester Sophomore Year through First Semester Junior Year

- Complete physical science (i.e. ENVS 101)
- Complete 21 hours of SOCI course with grade of “C” or better (300 – 400 level)
- Complete 9 hours of any Lower Level Elective (100 – 200 level)
- Complete ENGL 305 or 310

### Level 3: Second Semester Junior Year through End of Senior Year

- Complete 24 hours of any Lower Level electives (100 – 200 level)
- Complete 18 hours of any Upper Level electives (300 – 400 level)
- Maintain an overall gpa of 2.5 and 2.5 in major courses with no grade lower than “C”
- Apply for graduation
- Complete successful Graduation Audit

### Total Credits to complete General Studies: 120