

DEMOGRAPHY MINOR

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Coursework will explore the ways in which changes in human behavior and access to resources (including health, education and economic well-being), are shaped by social and demographic forces. By examining demographic behaviors within broader historical and cultural contexts, students will gain both micro and macro perspectives on social change. Students will also be trained in a range of demographic techniques used to study these processes.

Requirements

The minor in Demography requires that students complete 18 credits of coursework, including three required courses and three electives to be selected from the list below. The three required courses lay the foundation of demographic knowledge and tools that will then be applied in the substantive elective courses where students will focus on issues relevant to their specific interests.

Course	Title	Credits
Required Courses ¹		
SOCY201	Introductory Statistics for Sociology (or an equivalent course from another department)	4
SOCY410	Social Demography	3
SOCY411	Demographic Techniques	3
Electives ²		9
3 courses selected from the courses below. Up to two electives may be taken from outside of the Sociology Department.		
SOCY Courses		
SOCY335	Sociology of Health and Illness	
SOCY386	Experiential Learning	
SOCY412	Family Demography	
SOCY413	Sociology of Aging	
SOCY418	Research in Family & Demography	
SOCY428	Research in Inequality	
SOCY441	Social Stratification and Inequality	
SOCY445	Sex and Love in Modern Society	
Non-SOCY courses (maximum of 2)		
AAST222	Immigration and Ethnicity in America	
AAST498	Advanced Topics in Asian American Studies (AAST498B-Urban Demography and Community)	
ANTH265	Anthropology of Global Health	
AREC365	World Hunger, Population, and Food Supplies	
ECON315	Economic Development of Underdeveloped Areas	
EPIB301	Epidemiology for Public Health Practice	
FMSC381	Poverty, Affluence, and Families	
GEOG335	Population Geography	
NFSC425	International Nutrition	
Total Credits		19

¹ Required courses are offered every semester.

² The list of electives may be updated over time to reflect changing course offerings. Most elective Sociology courses are offered at least once a year. Up to two electives may be taken from outside of the Sociology Department.