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.

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<td>SOCY201</td>
<td>Introductory Statistics for Sociology (or an equivalent course from another department)</td>
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<td>SOCY410</td>
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Electives

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.