

Academic Rhode Map for BA Sociology Major at Rhode Island College

- This Rhode Map is a suggested pathway to graduation in 8 semesters
 - There are other valid pathways available to graduation - part time, summer/early spring classes, etc.
- The left column contains the suggested courses for each semester, the right column contains notes for the course and about progress towards graduation
- Some courses might not be offered during the semester shown on the map
 - In these cases, courses listed in future semesters can be substituted if their prerequisites have been satisfied
 - Your advisor can help you determine which courses can be used during your appointment each semester
- This Rhode Map is designed primarily with incoming freshmen in mind and assumes a Fall start
 - Transfer students can also use it as a guide, knowing that their transfer credits may have satisfied some requirements. Academic advisors are available to answer questions about how these will affect the program
 - Students starting in the spring may need to adjust based on class offerings and availability

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST

FYW 100 – Taken in first year (Cannot be used as elective)		Distribution Courses -	Math (M) - Suggested in first year - Can be satisfied by MATH 240
		One from each category	Arts (A)
FYS 100 – Taken in first year (Cannot be used as elective)			History/Philosophy (HP)
			Literature/Language (LL)
			Natural Science (NS)
Connections – Taken after FYW & FYS			Social & Behavioral Sciences (SB) - Satisfied by SOC 2xx
			Elective(s) for 40 total Gen Ed credits (E)

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST

SOC 300 Classical Sociological Theories		FIVE more Sociology courses
SOC 302W Social Research Methods		- ONE at 200 level
SOC 400 Contemporary Sociological Theories		- Connections Courses do not double count
SOC 404 Social Data Analysis		- MATH 240 may also be taken to fulfill part of this requirement.
SOC 460W Senior Seminar in Sociology		
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Note: Not required but recommended SOC 215 Careers and the Social Sciences (1 credit)

Graduation Requirements:

- **Completion of General Education Requirements** – See table above
- **Completion of Major Requirements** — See table above
- **RIC 100 or Equivalent** — Taken in first year
- **College Math Milestone** — Satisfied by placement exam or completion of MATH 010
- **College Writing Competency** — Satisfied by FYW 100 with a minimum grade of C
- **Minimum 120 Credit Hours** — At least 30 credits at RIC (of which 15 from major, including 12 at 300 or 400 level)
- **Minimum GPA** - 2.0 overall

The total credit count for the major is 39-40 credits, and 40 credits for General Education. However, 12-13 Gen. Ed. credits for M, SB and E could double count, so the program can be completed in 66-68 credits.

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SEMESTER 1	CR	SEMESTER 1 NOTES
FYW 100 First Year Writing OR FYS 100 First Year Seminar	4	FYW Directed Self Placement exam
RIC 100 Introduction to RIC	1	Exempt if taking COLL 101, COLL 150, or HONR 150
General Education Course Math (M)	3-4	If Math Milestone is not completed, take MATH 10 here
Gen Ed-- Social and Behavioral Sciences (SB) Pick any one SOC course 200-217	4	This will count toward your FIVE additional SOC courses. Counts as your Gen Ed. SB
General Education Course (Any still needed)	3-4	
Requirements and GPA		<i>Aim for 16 earned credits (While 12 is fulltime, 16 credits are preferred to stay on track to graduate in 4 years). Math Milestone completed. Minimum 2.0 GPA</i>
# CREDITS EARNED	15 -17	<i>By October, make appointment with advisor to discuss your schedule for next semester</i>

SEMESTER 2	CR	SEMESTER 2 NOTES
FYW 100 First Year Writing OR FYS 100 First Year Seminar	4	
General Education Course (Any still needed)	3-4	
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General Education Course (Any still needed)	3-4	
Requirements and GPA		<i>Aim for minimum of 32 earned credits. Minimum 2.0 GPA</i>
# CREDITS EARNED	13 -16	<i>By March, make appointment with advisor to discuss your schedule for next semester</i>

SEMESTER 3	CR	SEMESTER 3 NOTES
General Education Course (Any still needed)	3-4	
Gen Ed course, elective, or possible second major or minor	3-4	
SOC 215 Careers and the Social Sciences	1	Not required but recommended Prereq = FYW 100 and 15 completed credits.
SOC 300 Classical Sociological Theories	4	Prereq = 200 level SOC course
ONE 300-level SOC course	3-4	Need FOUR additional 300-level SOC courses, or THREE additional if MATH 240 was taken as the Gen Ed. Math. Prereqs. vary—see catalog
Requirements and GPA		<i>Aim for minimum of 48 earned credits, with minimum of 2.0 GPA overall and in the major</i>
# CREDITS EARNED	14-17	<i>By October, make appointment with advisor to discuss your schedule for next semester and discuss second major or possible minor</i>

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SEMESTER 4	CR	SEMESTER 4 NOTES
Gen Ed course, elective, or possible second major or minor	3-4	
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TWO 300-level SOC courses	6-8	Need FOUR additional 300-level SOC courses, or THREE additional if MATH 240 was taken as the Gen Ed. Math. Prereqs. vary—see catalog
Requirements and GPA		<i>Aim for minimum of 64 earned credits, with minimum of 2.0 GPA overall and in the major.</i>
# CREDITS EARNED	12 -16	<i>By March, make appointment with advisor to discuss your schedule for next semester</i>

SEMESTER 5	CR	SEMESTER 5 NOTES
Gen Ed - Connections	4	Prereqs = FYW and FYS
SOC 302W Social Research Methods	4	Prereqs = any SOC 200 level and Gen Ed Math (M)
SOC 400 Contemporary Sociological Theories	4	Prereq = SOC 300
Gen Ed course, elective, or possible second major or minor	3-4	
Requirements and GPA		<i>Aim for minimum of 80 earned credits, with minimum of 2.0 GPA overall and in the major</i>
# CREDITS EARNED	15 -16	<i>By October, make appointment with advisor to discuss your schedule for next semester</i>

SEMESTER 6	CR	SEMESTER 6 NOTES
SOC 404 Social Data Analysis	4	Prereq = SOC 200 level; SOC 302 or SOC 302W; and Gen Ed (M)
ONE 300-level SOC course (if do not have MATH 240), or elective	3-4	Also, Independent Study options. Ask advisor
Gen Ed course, elective, or possible second major or minor	3-4	
Gen Ed course, elective, or possible second major or minor	3-4	If pursuing minor or second major make sure you have registered for this with the relevant department prior to audit
Requirements and GPA		<i>Aim for minimum of 96 earned credits, with minimum of 2.0 GPA overall and in the major. Apply for degree audit online through MyRIC</i>
# CREDITS EARNED	13 -16	<i>By March, make appointment with advisor to discuss your schedule for next semester</i>

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SEMESTER 7	CR	SEMESTER 7 NOTES
ONE SOC course (300 levels), or elective	3-4	Completed FIVE additional SOC courses, of which ONE may be at the 200 level. MATH 240 may be counted.
Elective or course in another major or minor	3-4	
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Gen Ed course, elective, or possible second major or minor	3-4	If elective courses are 3 credits, need one additional course for full-time status (12 credits).
Requirements and GPA		<i>Aim for minimum of 108 earned credits, with minimum of 2.0 GPA overall and in the major</i>
# CREDITS EARNED	≥12	<i>By October, make appointment with advisor to discuss your schedule for next semester</i>

SEMESTER 8	CR	SEMESTER 8 NOTES
SOC 460W Senior Seminar in Sociology	4	20 credit hours of sociology courses, including SOC 300 SOC 404, and concurrent enrollment in or completion of SOC 400, and a minimum 2.0 GPA, or consent of department chair. Note: you cannot self-enroll in SOC 460W, you must contact the Department Chair.
Elective or course in another major or minor	3-4	
Elective or course in another major or minor	3-4	If elective courses are 3 credits, need one additional course for full-time status (12 credits).
Requirements and GPA		<i>Need minimum of 120 earned credits, with minimum of 2.0 GPA overall and in the major</i>
# CREDITS EARNED	≥12	<i>Attend Gradfest and Commencement</i>

NOTES:

- The total number of credits needed for the major, general education, and other requirements may be less than the 120 required for graduation. Those remaining credits can be satisfied with electives, or they can be used toward a second major or minor which could be very useful.
 - Along with your advisor, this Rhode Map can help you determine if a second major or minor could fit into your plan

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