

INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

To: UNDERGRADUATE COUNCIL

From: Jon Lorence, Director of Undergraduate Studies in Sociology

Subject: Catalog Change

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The Department of Sociology unanimously voted on 9/14/2007 to change the requirements for an undergraduate degree in Sociology. For more than 15 years we have required our seniors to take a Senior Seminar (SOC 4383). The topic depended on the interest of the faculty member of record. When this requirement was implemented, the number of majors was fairly limited and the number of faculty was adequate to offer the course in a seminar format. Over the last seven years the number of sociology majors has grown to over 225 while the size of our faculty has decreased considerably. The department no longer has sufficient faculty to provide the course to all graduating seniors. Therefore the Department of Sociology wishes to delete SOC 4383 as a requirement for graduation. The number of hours in Sociology required to graduate will remain at 32. Students will still be required to complete 18 hours of advanced electives to graduate. Senior Seminar in Sociology (SOC 4383) will continue to be offered, but no longer required of all majors.

Current Language:

New Language:

Major in Sociology

<u>Requirements</u>	<u>Hours</u>
32 hours (29 advanced) to include:	
SOC 1300, 3300, 3400, 3401	14
SOC Electives (advanced)	15
SOC 4383	3

Major in Sociology

<u>Requirements</u>	<u>Hours</u>
32 hours (29 advanced) to include:	
SOC 1300, 3300, 3400, 3401	14
SOC Electives (advanced)	18

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