

Oakton Community College Transfer Guide Bachelor of Arts in Sociology



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Northeastern Illinois University is committed to providing an affordable education. That's why our tuition and fees are among the most affordable of the Illinois public universities. We offer a **tuition guarantee program** that guarantees incoming students the same tuition rate for four years.

Northeastern offers more than 40 undergraduate degree and certificate programs, with classes on weekdays, evenings, weekends, and online. Small class sizes allow for students to pursue a more personal academic experience in one of the most ethnically diverse universities in the nation.

Sociology Program Description

Northeastern's Department of Sociology offers courses leading to a Bachelor of Arts degree in sociology. Additionally, students may choose an eighteen-hour minor in sociology.

Sociology is the systematic study of human societies, their patterns and arrangements, their processes of development and change. Course offerings cover sociological theories, research methods, gender and sexuality, race and ethnicity, inequalities, social institutions, social issues, social action and social change.

A major in sociology can provide a useful orientation for students who plan to attend graduate school or seek careers in community-based organizations or in such fields as education, human resources, urban planning, law, community organizing, social welfare, or research in government and private organizations.

Contact Information

Northeastern Illinois University Transfer Center: Students who have questions about the program prior to admission may contact the Northeastern Transfer Center at (773) 442-4076 or email TransferSteps@neiu.edu.

Admission Requirements

- Students must have earned a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or higher for all college or university course work attempted. Students must be in good academic standing at the last college or university attended.
- Required documents are: application for admission, \$30 nonrefundable application fee, and official transcripts from all colleges and universities.
- Additional Admission and application materials, including the option to apply online can be found at www.neiu.edu/Transfer.
- Application deadlines are as follows:

| Semester Applying | Deadline to Apply | International Student Deadline to Apply |
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| Fall | July 15 | June 15 |
| Spring | November 1 | October 1 |
| Summer I | April 1 | March 1 |
| Summer II | May 1 | April 1 |

General Education Requirements

Three options are available to students who plan to complete their General Education requirements at Oakton Community College.

- **Associate of Arts or Associate of Science degree:** Students who transfer with an approved Illinois Community College Board (ICCB) Model Associate of Arts degree will have met Northeastern Illinois University's General Education requirements. Students who transfer with an Associate of Science degree granted December 2016 or later may need to take one additional Humanities course and one additional Social and Behavioral Sciences course to meet Northeastern's General Education requirements.
- **Completion of the Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI):** Students who transfer after completing the Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI) will have met their General Education requirements.
- **Transfer Course Lists for Oakton Community College:** Students may choose to meet their General Education requirements by selecting courses from Northeastern's Transfer Course Equivalency Guides, available at: www.neiu.edu/Transfer. *When choosing this option, please use the following Northeastern Illinois University General Education guide:*

| Northeastern Illinois University General Education Program | | |
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| The General Education Program requires a minimum of 39 credit hours of courses distributed among 6 areas. | | |
| Northeastern Illinois University Requirement | Credits | Oakton Community College Equivalent (if any) |
| Math / Quantitative Reasoning – one course (3 hours) | 3 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● This requirement can be met by completing MAT 125 or higher at Oakton Community College with a grade of "C" or better. |
| Social / Behavioral Sciences 3 courses (9 hours) | 9 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● SOC 101 Intro to Sociology ● SOC 103 Social Problems ● No more than two courses from the same department may be used. |
| Natural Sciences 3 courses (9 hours) | 9 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● No more than two courses from the same department may be used. ● One course must have a lab component. |
| Fine Arts 2 courses (6 hours) | 6 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● No more than one course from the same department may be used. |
| Humanities 3 courses (9 hours) | 9 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● No more than two courses from the same department may be used. ● No more than two foreign language courses may be used to fulfill this requirement. |
| Non-General Education University Requirements (3-6 hours) | 3-6 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● EGL 101 Composition I at Oakton Community College with a grade of "C" or better. ● Improving Human Relations Requirement – can be met through completion of the Sociology major. |

Degree Plan*

| Semester-by-Semester Program Plan for Full-Time Students | | | | | |
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| D: Degree GECC: General Education Core Curriculum | | *All plans can be modified to fit the needs of part-time students by adding additional semesters | | | |
| D | GECC | Semester 1 | Oakton Category | NEIU Category | Next Actions |
| • | • | EGL 101 Composition I (3) | Communication | Writing Requirement | DO THIS – Meet with advisor to discuss academic goals and plan coursework |
| • | • | SOC 101 Intro to Sociology (3) | Social Science | General Education Major Requirement - SOC 100 | |
| • | • | Fine Arts Course (3) | Humanities/Fine Arts | General Education | |
| • | • | Humanities Course (3) | Humanities/Fine Arts | General Education | |
| • | | Elective Course (3) | Elective | Elective | |
| 15 Credit Hours | | | | | |
| D | GECC | Semester 2 | Oakton Category | NEIU Category | Next Actions |
| • | • | EGL 102 Composition II (3) | Communication | Elective | DO THIS – Mid-term check-in with advisor |
| • | • | Life Science or Physical Science Course (3-4) | Life/Physical Science | General Education | |
| • | • | College Level Math Course: MAT 125 or higher (3-4) | Mathematics | Math/Quantitative Reasoning | |
| • | • | SPE 151 Effective Speech (3) | Communication | General Education | |
| • | • | SOC 103 Social Problems (3) | Social Science | General Education Major Elective - SOC 205 | |
| 15-17 Credit Hours | | | | | |
| D | GECC | Semester 3 | Oakton Category | NEIU Category | Next Actions |
| • | • | Life Science or Physical Science Course (3-4) | Life/Physical Science | General Education | DO THIS – Mid-term check-in with advisor |
| • | • | Humanities or Fine Arts Course (3) | Humanities/Fine Arts | General Education | |
| • | • | Social Science Course (3) | Social Science | General Education | |
| • | | SOC 104 Marriage & Family (3) | Elective | Major Elective - SOC 214 | |
| • | | Elective Course (3) | Elective | Elective | |
| 15-16 Credit Hours | | | | | |
| D | GECC | Semester 4 | Oakton Category | NEIU Category | Next Actions |
| • | | SOC 210, 220, 230, 233, or 234 (select one) (3) | Elective | Major Elective | DO THIS – Petition to graduate |
| • | | SOC 210, 220, 230, 233, or 234 (select one) (3) | Elective | Major Elective | |
| • | | Elective Course (3) | Elective | Elective | |
| • | | Elective Course (3) | Elective | Elective | |
| • | | Elective Course (3) | Elective | Elective | |
| 15 Credit Hours | | | | | |
| MINIMUM TOTAL AA CREDIT HOURS: 60 | | | | | |
| WRITTEN DEGREE PLAN CREDIT RANGE: 60-63 | | | | | |

Note:

- All Oakton Community College students must complete the U.S. Diversity and Global Studies requirements as part of their associate's degree. See your Oakton Community College advisor for course options.
- All students who earn an Associate of Arts Degree from Oakton Community College enter Northeastern with 64 hours of transfer credit, even if they earned less than 64 credit hours. See the [NEIU Transfer Policy](#) for further information.
- Students have the option of completing a minor course of study along with their major in Sociology. Minor courses of study at Northeastern are 18-21 credit hours and can be completed in place of general electives without adding additional semesters or credit hours to a student's graduation plan.

| Northeastern Illinois University | | |
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| <i>All plans can be modified to fit the needs of part-time students by adding additional semesters</i> | | |
| Semester 5 | NEIU Category | Next Actions |
| SOC 105 Social Inequalities and Social Change (3) | Major Requirement | DO THIS – Meet with the Sociology Department and declare your major. |
| SOC 300 Level ELE-X Elective (consult with advisor) (3) | Major Requirement ELE-X Requirement | |
| 300 Level Elective/Minor (3) | Elective/Upper Division | |
| Any Level Elective/Minor (3) | Elective | |
| Any Level Elective/Minor (1) | Elective | |
| 13 Credit Hours | | |
| Semester 6 | NEIU Category | Next Actions |
| SOC 337 Sociological Research Methods (3) | Major Requirement ELE-DS Requirement | DO THIS – Meet with your SOC advisor and discuss whether to register for SOC 351 (Senior Seminar in Sociology) in the upcoming Fall semester or SOC 342 (Sociology Internship Seminar) in the next Spring semester. |
| SOC 346A WIP: Critical Writing for Sociology (3) | Major Requirement WIP Requirement | |
| 300 Level Elective/Minor (3) | Elective/Upper Division | |
| Any Level Elective/Minor (3) | Elective | |
| Any Level Elective/Minor (3) | Elective | |
| 15 Credit Hours | | |
| Semester 7 | NEIU Category | Next Actions |
| SOC 335 Sociological Theory (3) | Major Requirement | DO THIS – Meet with your SOC advisor |
| SOC 339 Intro to Social Statistics (3) | Major Requirement | |
| SOC 351 Senior Seminar in Sociology OR SOC 300 Level Elective (consult with advisor)* (3) | Major Requirement ELE-DS Requirement | DO THIS – Apply for graduation |
| 300 Level Elective/Minor (3) | Elective/Upper Division | DO THIS – Meet with Career Services for career counseling |
| 300 Level Elective/Minor (1) | Elective/Upper Division | |
| 13 Credit Hours | | |
| Semester 8 | NEIU Category | Next Actions |
| SOC 342 Sociology Internship Seminar OR SOC 300 Level Elective (If SOC 351 was completed in FALL)* (6) | Major Requirement ELE-DS Requirement | DO THIS – Meet with your SOC advisor |
| SOC 300 Level Elective (this course is not required for students enrolled in SOC 342) (3) | Major Requirement | |
| 300 Level Elective/Minor (3) | Elective/Upper Division | COMPLETION of Bachelor of Arts Degree |
| 300 Level Elective/Minor (0-3) | Elective/Upper Division | |
| Any Level Elective/Minor (3) | Elective | |
| 15 Credit Hours | | |
| BACHELOR'S DEGREE MINIMUM TOTAL: 120 CREDIT HOURS | | |

NOTE:

- ****All Sociology majors are required to complete a Senior Seminar course. SOC 342 Senior Seminar in Sociology is offered in the Fall semester and SOC 351 Senior Internship Seminar is offered in the Spring semester. Students should consult with their SOC advisor before deciding which course to take.***

Financial Aid and Scholarships

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For information about financing your education at Northeastern, including Financial Aid and Scholarship opportunities, please see our website: <http://www.neiu.edu/financial-aid/>. You may also contact our Financial Aid Office directly at (773) 442-5016 or email Financial-Aid@neiu.edu. If you are completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), Northeastern's federal School code is **001693**.

Provost and Deans Merit Scholarships for TRANSFER students*:

| Scholarship | Amount Awarded | Credit Hour Requirement | GPA Requirement | Residency Requirement | NEIU Enrollment Requirement |
|---------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|
| Provost Merit | \$2,000 | 60+ credit hours | 3.50 GPA | Illinois Residency | Full-Time (12+ credit hours) |
| Dean's Merit | \$1,000 | 60+ credit hours | 3.0 GPA | Illinois Residency | Full-Time (12+ credit hours) |

Until all of the scholarships are awarded, students who meet these qualifications will automatically be considered for the Provost and Deans Merit Scholarships at the time of applying for admission to Northeastern. Completing an additional application is not necessary. The Office of Scholarships may be reached at (773) 442-4606 or scholarships@neiu.edu.