

American University of Central Asia
Department: SOCIOLOGY



CHECKLIST FOR ADMITS 2026

General Education Courses						
Course Name	Course code	Course ID	Credits	Semester	Prerequisites	Comments
Academic Orientation program: August 17 - August 28, 2026	ORI		2*			Outside of 240
First Year Seminar I	FYS		4		none	
First Year Seminar II	FYS		4		FYS 1	
Introduction to Philosophy I (part of FYS)	FYS		2		none	
Introduction to Philosophy II (part of FYS)	FYS		2		Phil I	
English Composition I	ECL		6		none	
English Composition II	ECL		6		ECL I	
Kyrgyz Language and Literature I	KLL		4		none	
Kyrgyz Language and Literature II	KLL		4		KLL I	
Russian Language I	RUS		2		none	
Russian Language II	RUS		2		RUS I	
History of Kyrgyzstan	HIST		4		none	
Geography of Kyrgyzstan	GEO		2		none	
Manas Studies			2		none	
Mathematics and Quantitative Reasoning			6		none	Sociology major students must take An Intro.to Probabilities and Statistics course to fulfill Math requirements
Applied Social Statistics and SPSS (as Math II part)			6			
Natural Sciences/Second Year Seminar**	SYS/NTR		6			
Arts/Second Year Seminar**	ART		12			

Humanities/Second Year Seminar**	SYS/HU M		12			
Social Sciences/Second Year Seminar**	SYS/SS		12			Introduction to Sociology II-6cr can be counted towards Social Sciences requirement in the General Education Program.
Sports	SPO		0		none	400 hours
Total GenEd credits			98 + [2] credits			

* Credits earned for the Academic Orientation program are not included into 240 credits for graduation.

**All students in their 2nd year must take one Second Year Seminar. This seminar substitutes for one required 6-credit course in either Humanities, Social Sciences, Arts or Natural Science.

***One 6-credit course in Major requirements could be counted towards General Education requirements.

Major Requirements						
Required Courses					Total - 84 credits	
Course Name	Course abbr.	Course ID	Credits	Semester	Prerequisites	Comments
Introduction to Sociology I	SOC 108	2937	6	1-(Fall)		
Introduction to Sociology II	SOC 109	2938	6	2-(Spring)		
Classical Social Theory	SOC 210.1	3080	6	3-(Fall)		
Contemporary Social Theory	SOC 211.1	3209	6	4-(Spring)		
Qualitative Research Methods	SOC 221.1	3054	6	3-(Fall)		
Quantitative Research Methods	SOC 222.1	3211	6	4-(Spring)		
State and Society	SOC 333.1	3783	6	6-(Fall)		
Sociology of Culture	SOC 360	249	6	6-(Spring)		
Market Society	SOC 331.2	3208	6	5-(Fall)		
Sociology of Gender	SOC 354.2	3693	6	5-(Fall)		
Identity and Difference	SOC 363.2	2665	6	6-(Spring)		
Algorithms of desire: consumption in the digital age			3	7-(Fall)		

Technology, AI and Society			3	8-(Spring)		
Senior Thesis I	SOC 480.1	3735	6	7		
Senior Thesis II	SOC 483.1	3862	6	8	Senior Thesis I	
Major Elective Courses				Total - 24 credits		
Course Name	Course code	Course ID	Credits	Semester	Prerequisites	Comments
Social Deviance	SOC - 381.1	3322	6			
Perspectives on Global Inequalities	SOC-415	6472	6			
Mapping the Crisis: The state of Borders	ANTH/SOC-433	6403	6			
Non-Major Elective Courses (at least 18 credits should be taken outside of the major)				Total - 34 credits		
Internship – 12 credits (outside of 240 credits)						
Internship			12	4-6		Pass/Non-pass
Sociology Internship I (2nd year)	SOC 290.1	3248	6	4-(Spring)		
Sociology Internship II (3rd year)	SOC 390.2	4030	6	6-(Spring)		
Total Credits	240+12(практика)+ 2 orientation=254					

Order of study for 2026 admits

Academic Orientation Program [2 credits]			
1st semester (30 credits)		2nd semester (30 credits)	
Introduction to Sociology I	6	Introduction to Sociology II	6
English Composition I	6	English composition I	6
First Year Seminar I	4	First Year Seminar II	4
Intro to Philosophy I	2	Intro to Philosophy II	2
Arts, Natural Science, or Humanities or Elective	12	Arts, Natural Science, or Humanities, or Elective	12
Sport – (100 hours)	0	Sport – (100 hours)	0
3rd semester (32 credits)		4th semester (30 credits)	
Classical Social Theory	6	Contemporary Social Theory	6

Qualitative Research Methods	6	Quantitative Research Methods	6
		Sociology Internship I (2nd year)	
Kyrgyz Language and Literature I	4	Intro.to Probabilities and Statistics	6
Russian Language I	2	Kyrgyz Language and Literature II	4
Manas Studies	2	Russian Language II	2
Second year seminar	6	Geography of Kyrgyzstan	2
Arts, Natural Science, or Humanities, or Elective	6	History of Kyrgyzstan	4
Sport – (100 hours)	0	Sport – (100 hours)	
5th semester (30 credits)		6th semester (30 credits)	
State and Society	6	Sociology of Culture	6
Sociology of Gender	6	Identity and Difference	6
Applied Social Statistics and SPSS (as Math II part)	6	Market Society	6
Arts, Natural Science, or Humanities, or Elective	12	Sociology Internship II (3rd year)	
		Arts, Natural Science, or Humanities, or Elective	12
7th semester (30 credits)		8th semester (30 credits)	
Senior Thesis Seminar I	6	Senior Thesis Seminar II	6
Algorithms of desire: consumption in the digital age	3	Technology, AI and Society	3
Arts, Natural Science, or Humanities, or Elective	21	Arts, Natural Science, or Humanities, or Elective	21

Graduation requirements:

1. Earn at least 240 credits (+12 credit hours earned for program internships and academic orientation program)
 - a. Complete all General Education requirements;
 - b. Complete all requirements for at least one major;
 - c. Earn no more than 102 credits of introductory (100-level) courses;
 - d. Complete at least 18 elective credits outside of a student's major and General Education program;
 - e. Complete the required number of internship credits (12 credits for Sociology Department);
 - f. Pass all state graduation examinations;
 - g. Successfully complete and defend a senior thesis/project;
 - h. Receive no "F" or "N/p" grades in the final semester;
- To earn an overall GPA of at least 2.0.**