

SOCIOLEGAL STUDIES MINOR

The Sociolegal Studies minor provides an introduction to the relationships between law and other human activity and serves as a broad liberal education in the humanities and social sciences. It is an opportunity for students within a liberal arts curriculum to engage in a broad critical understanding of the nature and function of law from an interdisciplinary perspective. Students will learn basic legal concepts and be able to apply those concepts to legal phenomena; understand the nature and function of law, including legal theory, institutions, and analysis; understand the unique nature of legal institutions and practices from a variety of interdisciplinary perspectives; and acquire a deeper understanding of the different types of law, how law is shaped, how people think about law, and the role of law in society.

Related Programs

Major

- Criminal Justice and Criminology (BS) (<https://catalog.luc.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/criminal-justice-criminology/criminal-justice-criminology-bs/>)

Minor

- Computer Crime and Forensics Minor (<https://catalog.luc.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/computer-science/computer-crime-forensics-minor/>)
- Criminal Justice and Criminology Minor (<https://catalog.luc.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/criminal-justice-criminology/criminal-justice-criminology-minor/>)
- Psychology of Crime and Justice Minor (<https://catalog.luc.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/psychology-crime-justice/psychology-crime-justice-minor/>)

Curriculum

Code	Title	Hours
Required SLGL Course		
SLGL 200	Introduction to Sociolegal Studies	3
Required Electives		15
Select five from the following:		
ANTH 305	Violence and Culture	
ANTH 306	Anthropology and Human Rights	
ANTH 314	Applied Anthropology	
ANTH 321	Human Rights in Latin America	
CJC 202	Criminal Courts	
CJC 322	Criminal Law	
CJC 323	Criminal Procedure	
CJC 345	Social Justice and Crime	
CJC 372	Race, Ethnicity, and Criminal Justice	
CJC 377	Psychology and Law	
CLST 361	Roman Political Theory & Practice	
CLST 362	Roman Law	
CLST 363	Law & Legislature-Ancient Greece	
COMP 317	Social, Legal, and Ethical Issues in Computing	
ENGL 211	Writing for Pre-Law Students	
HIST 367	United States from Great Depression to Recession	
HIST 370	American Business, Wealth, and Inequality	

HIST 373	US Law & Public Policy
HIST 373A	Crime and Punishment
HIST 382	Teaching Race, Class, and Gender
PHIL 321	Ethics and Society
PHIL 323	Philosophy of Law
PHIL 326	Political Philosophy
PLSC 320	Constitutional Law-Due Process
PLSC 321	Constitutional Law-Powers of Government
PLSC 322	Constitutional Law-Rights and Liberties
PLSC 353	International Law
PLSC 384	The Judicial Process
PLSC 385	Introduction to Law
PSYC 372	Psychology & Law
SLGL 399	Independent Study
SOCL 215	Law & Society
SOCL 261	Social Movements & Social Change

Total Hours 18

Transfer-Student Residency Requirement

At least 9 credit hours of SLGL-MINR requirements must be completed at Loyola.

Double Dipping Policy

Observes the CAS Double-Dipping policy with the additional restriction: Students minoring in Sociolegal Studies (SLGL-MINR) may use only one course (total) toward the SLGL minor and any other declared majors/minors.

Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of this program, students will:

- Evidence a deeper understanding of the many forms of law, how law is shaped, how people think about law, the role of law in society, and the intersection of law and politics
- Compare, apply, and critique different social science and humanities perspectives on law
- Understand the cultural, political, economic, and social aspects of law
- Employ an interdisciplinary approach to the study of law and society
- Understand the structure and purpose of legal institutions
- Comprehend basic legal concepts and be able to apply those concepts to legal phenomena
- Develop strong logical and critical thinking skills