

SOCIOLEGAL STUDIES INTERDISCIPLINARY PROGRAM

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.

Undergraduate Programs

- Sociolegal Studies Minor (<https://catalog.luc.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/sociolegal-studies/sociolegal-studies-minor/>)

Undergraduate Policies and Procedures

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Sociolegal Studies (SLGL)

SLGL 200 Introduction to Sociolegal Studies (3 Credit Hours)

The course will introduce students to several complementary perspectives from the interdisciplinary "Law and Society" movement: the sociology of law; the psychology of justice; the anthropology of disputing; the economics of rulemaking; and the institutional politics of courts and legislatures.

Interdisciplinary Option: Sociolegal Studies

Outcomes:

Compare & critique different social science theories of law; understand the role of law in society and the intersection of law, politics, economics, and culture

SLGL 399 Independent Study (3 Credit Hours)

This course provides students with the opportunity to work under the direction of a faculty member on a particular area of interest that is not part of the Sociolegal Studies minor's usual curriculum. Program permission required. Students will gain an understanding of a specific area of sociolegal studies through the close reading of selected texts or through directed research.

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