

Checklist Entry Requirements

Sociology: Contemporary Social Problems

This form is NOT required for students with a Bachelor:

- From the Faculty of Social and Behavioural Sciences at Utrecht University
- Sociology at a Dutch research university
- Interdisciplinary Social Sciences at a Dutch research university

For all other students, this form is mandatory.

In the scheme below you have to show to the Admissions Committee how you have acquired each competency. List relevant academic courses or other relevant academic experiences (such as internships, summer courses, thesis or extra-curricular research). For everything you list, you need to hand in evidence. You can upload supporting documents via the regular application process in Osiris Online Application.

For academic courses:

- a) The course needs to be listed on your transcript.
- b) You need to upload official course syllabi in English or Dutch (online or offline). Realise that the Admissions Committee is unfamiliar with your specific curriculum. Via course descriptions the content of a course can be verified.

For other relevant experiences, you can upload for instance:

- a digital copy of your thesis.
- a signed letter of your coordinator of an internship, volunteer work, etc.

When the Admissions Committee is unable to verify the course content or experience, it will not be taken into account in the assessment of your application file.

1. Social science theories

You have knowledge and insight into theory development in one of the social science disciplines and you can apply the logic of hypothesis derivation and testing to specific topics.

You meet this competency for instance when you have completed a sufficient number of academic courses covering social science theories, explicitly involving problem and hypothesis formulation (at least 15 EC, but preferably by majoring in the social sciences. Other degrees with similar orientations will be assessed by the Admissions Committee).

	I meet this requirement via the following courses / experiences
2.	Contemporary Social Problems You can adequately analyse social problems and issues based on the relation between the macro level (social/structural factors) and micro level (individual orientations, decisions and behaviour).
	You meet this competency when you have completed a sufficient number of academic courses covering the analysis of social issues and social policy processes (at least 15 EC).
	I meet this requirement via

3.	Methods and statistics
	- You have knowledge of basic qualitative and quantitative research methodology.
	- You can successfully perform appropriate data collection and apply advanced quantitative
	research strategies to analyse data.

- You have experience using statistical software for data analysis, such as SPSS, at Bachelor's level.
- You are able to develop, carry out, analyse and prepare written reports on social science research.

You meet this requirement when you have acquired:

At least 18 EC of:

a) You have basic knowledge of statistics and quantitative research methods (e.g. univariate descriptive statistics, correlation, univariate regression, one-way analysis of variance (both descriptive and inferential))

You have knowledge of more advanced statistical tools (such as factor analysis, reliability analysis, multiple regression, multivariate analysis of variance).

	I meet this requirement via
b)	You have hands on experience with a statistical programme (such as SPSS).
	I meet this requirement via
c)	You have shown the ability to apply these tools (for instance, in a Bachelor's thesis or similar research report).
	I meet this requirement via