

# SOCIOLEGAL STUDIES INTERDISCIPLINARY PROGRAM

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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

Please see Undergraduate Policies and Procedures (<https://catalog.luc.edu/academic-standards-regulations/undergraduate/>) for academic policies that supersede those of academic units within the University.

## 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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