**RURAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL CHANGE**

Rural environments, residents and agencies are facing rapid social, economic, demographic and political change. This concentration develops analytical and practical skills for understanding rural and environmental change globally and in the American West, and its policy implications in such areas as rural health, welfare and work; community development and assessment; native peoples and natural resource management. A concentration in rural and environmental change prepares students for employment with either a government, private, or non-profit agency concerned with the above topics or for pursuing an advanced degree in sociology.

**Bachelor of Arts - Sociology; Rural and Environmental Change Concentration**

**College Humanities & Sciences**

*Degree Specific Credits:* 39

*Required Cumulative GPA:* 2.0

*Catalog Year:* 2017-2018

*Note:* No more than 60 sociology credits may count toward graduation.

**General Education Requirements**

Information regarding these requirements can be found in the General Education Section (http://catalog.umt.edu/academics/general-education-requirements) of the catalog.

**Summary**

| Lower Core Courses | 6 |
| Upper Core Courses | 6 |
| Major Content Courses | 12 |
| Upper Division Writing Course | 3 |
| Rural and Environmental Change Concentration | 15 |
| **Total Hours** | 42 |

**Lower Division Core Courses**

*Rule:* Both courses are required

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*Minimum Required Grade: C-*

**Upper Division Core Courses**

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**Major Content Courses**

*Note:* Students may count only 1 course from their respective option as a major content course.

Select 12 credits with 6 credits at the 300 level or above from the following:

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**Upper Division Writing Course**

*Note:* A non-sociology upper division writing course from another department may be substituted for this requirement with departmental consent.

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<td>Capstone: Rural and Env Change</td>
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**Rural and Environmental Change Concentration**

*Minimum Required Grade: C-*

15 Total Credits Required

**Concentration Core**

*Rule:* The following courses are required

*Note:* Students must take a minimum of five courses in their option area (15 credits), and three elective courses outside of the option area. Students should take SOCI 270 first and complete at least 2 Rural and Environmental Change electives prior to taking SOCI 460.

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**Concentration Electives**

Select three of the following: 9

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**Total Hours** 9

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