



SOCIOLOGY *College of Humanities and Social Sciences*

As sociologists we are able to understand what influences people's preferences, how people make their decisions, and what factors influence the structure and process of social interactions. Sociological knowledge is a very powerful instrument for understanding the social dynamics of politics, family, community, and work. Sociology can help prepare you for a variety of careers and improve your ability to promote social justice in your community.

DEGREES OFFERED

- Sociology, BS
- Sociology Minor
- Sociology: General, MA
- Sociology: College Teaching, MA
- Sociology: Human Service Planning and Administration, MS
- Sociology: Corrections: MS

SKILLS AND TALENTS

- Communication skills
- Critical thinking
- Cultural sensitivity
- Data collection and analysis
- Community development
- Interpersonal skills
- Evidence-based analysis
- Problem solving
- Research skills
- Social perceptiveness
- Writing skills

REAL-WORLD EXPERIENCES

- Sociology in Action course
- Internships
- Sociology workshops
- Sociology Club
- Upper Level research courses

EMPLOYERS

- Business and corporations
- Colleges and universities
- Government agencies
- Hospitals and clinics
- Market research companies
- Mental health clinics
- Non-profit organizations

CAREERS

- Career counselor*
- Case manager
- Community organizer
- Consultant
- Counselor
- Crisis intervention
- Data analyst
- Human resources
- Employer recruiter
- Life skill counselor
- Manager
- Mental health associate
- School counselor*
- Teacher/professor*
- Training and development
- Vocational counselor

*Advanced education preferred

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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SAMPLE FOUR-YEAR CURRICULUM (SOCIOLOGY, BS)

| First Year (Fall) | First Year (Spring) |
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| SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology (3) ENG 101 Composition (4) General Ed. Course (3-4) General Ed. Course (3-4) General Ed. Course (3-4) | SOC 202 Introduction to Social Statistics (3) General Ed. Course (3-4) General Ed. Course (3-4) General Ed. Course (3-4) General Ed. Course, Writing Intensive (3-4) |
| Second Year (Fall) | Second Year (Spring) |
| General Ed. Course (3-4) General Ed. Course (3-4) General Ed. Course (3-4) General Ed. Course, Writing Intensive (3-4) General Ed. Course, Diverse Culture (3-4) <i>Apply to Program (with 32 credits Completed)</i> | Any SOC 200-level elective General Ed. Course (3-4) General Ed. Course (3-4) General Ed. Course (3-4) General Ed. Course (3-4) |
| Third Year (Fall) | Third Year (Spring) |
| Unrestricted Elective (3) General Ed. Course (3-4) General Ed. Course (3-4) Course in Minor (3) Course in Minor (3) | SOC 301W Social Research 1 (3) SOC 351 Social Psychology (3) SOC 458 Sociological Theory (3) Course in Minor (3) Course in Minor, Upper Division (3) |
| Fourth Year (Fall) | Fourth Year (Spring) |
| SOC upper-level research methods elective (469, 480, 493) OR sociology workshop (490) Restricted Elective, SOC 469, SOC 479, or SOC 480 (3) Unrestricted Elective (3) Course in Minor, Upper Division (3) Course in Minor, Upper Division (3) | SOC 463 Social Stratification (3) Unrestricted Elective (3) Unrestricted Elective (3) Unrestricted Elective (3) Course in Minor, Upper Division (3) |

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