

Sociology

School of Social Sciences and Humanities

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General Description

Sociology is the study of groups people build, the structure of human groups, and changes in their organization over time. As a social science, the department is the scientific study of human interaction both at the micro and macro level of society. Any topic related to how or why people treat each other in the ways they do is a legitimate study in sociology. Social work is related to sociology as it is concerned with improving the quality of life for individuals or groups. Both departments analyze human behavior in regard to serious social issues and circumstances such as racism, poverty, crime, psychology, health, politics, law, economics, and class inequality. Social work attempts to remedy the most basic needs.

Career Options

Below is a sample of the career options available for the sociology or social work major. A few of these require an associate degree, most require a bachelor's degree, and some require a graduate-level degree: sociology-industrial sociologist, urban planner, high school or college instructor, criminologist, public opinion analyst, employment counselor, social worker, adoptions worker, social planner, child and family counselor, corrections counselor, and child protective counselor.

Degree/Certificate Options

Associate in Arts Degree: Transfer Preparation

	Major Code
Sociology	01900
Social Work	01890

Consult with a counselor to develop a Student Education Plan (SEP), which lists the courses necessary for you to achieve your academic goal.

ASSOCIATE IN ARTS DEGREE

Sociology

Transfer Preparation * (Major Code: 01900)

Designed to provide students with an understanding of these areas: social theory and methods of inquiry; social arrangements such as the family, education, politics, the class structure, the methods of social control; changes in social arrangements, social change, deviant behavior, and social problems. Sociology, like other social sciences, does not educate students in specialized skills. Sociology and other liberal arts majors stress the ability to observe, organize, and write clearly, as well as skills in the analysis of data and in collaborating with others.

SOC 101	Introduction to Sociology	3
SOC 110	Contemporary Social Problems	3
SOC/	Statistical Methods of Sociology	3
PSYC 270		
	Foreign Language	10–15
Total units		19–24

To earn an associate degree, additional general education and graduation requirements must be completed. See page 51.

- * Students planning to transfer to a four-year college or university should complete courses specific to the transfer institution of choice. University requirements vary from institution to institution and are subject to change. Therefore, it is important to verify transfer major preparation and general education requirements through consultation with a counselor in either the Counseling Center or Transfer Center. **See catalog TRANSFER COURSES INFORMATION section on page 33 for further information.**



Some courses within this program may require additional coursework that must be completed prior to enrollment in those courses. Please consult the individual course listings for prerequisites and any other limitations on enrollment.



Social Work

Transfer Preparation * (Major Code: 01890)

Prepares students to transfer in the major to a four-year college or university. Beginning study focuses on general comprehension of the needs, perspectives, and experiences of populations at risk in contemporary society. Coursework in biology, economics, health, psychology, and sociology are essential to having the knowledge and skills to make careful assessment of problems, to search for reasonable solutions, and to intervene at multiple levels to effect individual, group, or policy changes.

BIOL 100	Principles of Biology	3
BIOL 101	Principles of Biology Laboratory	1
ECON 100	Contemporary Economic Problems	3
HLTH 101	Principles of Healthful Living	3
PSYC 101	General Psychology	3
SOC 101	Introduction to Sociology	3
SOC 110	Contemporary Social Problems	3
SOC 135	Sociology of the Family	3
SOC/	Statistical Methods of Sociology	3
PSYC 270		

Total units 25

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Spanish

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General Description

Knowing Spanish gives one the power to successfully communicate with the people of twenty one Spanish speaking countries, as well as 20 million Spanish speakers in the United States. After English, Spanish is the most studied language in Europe and Asia as well. In today's business world, Spanish is widely used as a valuable tool of communication for commercial transactions in the global market. It is one of the five official languages in the United Nations.

Career Options

Below is a sample of the career options available to students with fluency in a foreign language. Fluency and intercultural communication skills in a second language enhances opportunities in: government, business, medicine and health care, teaching, technology, the military, social service, law enforcement, communications, fashion, and marketing.

Degree/Certificate Options

Major Code

Associate in Arts Degree: Transfer Preparation

Spanish	01460
Spanish for Bilinguals	A1490

Certificate of Proficiency

Spanish Proficiency	01461
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