BACHELOR OF ARTS (HONORS)  
SOCIOLOGY

Sociology is the study of the social aspects of human existence. If you’ve wondered about the impact of social media, felt peer pressure, wanted to understand the dynamics of poverty and wealth, or noticed the changing world of family and work, Sociology could be the major for you!

WHAT CAN I DO WITH A SOCIOLOGY HONORS DEGREE?

I COULD BE A... community outreach co-ordinator, policy analyst, human resources representative, population research analyst, public relations specialist, mental health worker, media planner, community outreach co-ordinator, policy analyst, human resources representative, population research analyst, public relations specialist, mental health worker, media planner, management consultant, program manager, victim advocate, or youth counsellor. I could also pursue a graduate degree in sociology, law, or business.

TOP 5 REASONS TO STUDY SOCIOLOGY

1. Work with leading scholars and outstanding teachers to learn about, and conduct research, on social life.
2. Gain cultural awareness while developing knowledge of community resources, public policies, and social structures.
3. Learn how to collect and analyze data, co-ordinate research projects, and communicate research findings by completing the Certificate in Applied Social Science Research.
4. Gain experiential knowledge through a Community Service-Learning (CSL) course or study abroad at KU Leuven, Belgium — one of Europe’s best universities.
5. Apply all you have learned to an Honors project of your choosing, working with a faculty mentor.

WE ARE ALL TREATY PEOPLE

The University of Alberta respectfully acknowledges that we are situated on Treaty 6 territory, traditional lands of First Nations and Métis people.

STUDENT SUPPORTS

These are services that enable you to pursue academic and personal success.

- Academic advising
- Student Ombuds
- Indigenous Student supports
- Academic support
- Health & Wellness
- Campus Food Bank
- Libraries
- International Student supports
- Accessibility resources
- Financial aid & awards
- Professional & career development
- Mental health supports

WHAT STUDENTS SAY ABOUT THE PROGRAM:

“Honors for me was mainly about two things. First, the honors essay has allowed me to delve deeper into a sociological topic of interest to me. Second, it has also granted me opportunities down the road in terms of graduate school and given me undergraduate experience of academic writing beyond just what my classes ask of me.”

RECENT HONORS PROJECTS:

An Examination of Canada’s Sex Work Policies Through a Global Lens, Understanding Indigenous Food Sovereignty In Urban Canada, The Psychosocial Impacts of Hurricanes on Minority Youth in North America.

ENHANCE YOUR HONORS DEGREE

ADD A CERTIFICATE IN:

CONNECT TO EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING:
Arts Work Experience, Community Service-Learning, Study Abroad.
BA SOCIOLGY HONORS DEGREE GUIDE

Your University experience is about what happens inside and outside of the classroom. This map is a tool to help you complement your academics with hands-on learning outside of the classroom and take advantage of student activities. Each new step will help you explore your options, take measured risks, and inform your next step. Being informed and engaged leads to a richer journey throughout your degree and beyond!

LEGEND

GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE
GAIN EXPERIENCE
SEEK OUT CONNECTIONS
NAVIGATE COURSES

EARLY DEGREE
Expand your career options, be proactive and get involved in campus life.

Focus your degree: ask the undergrad advisor about sample pathways through the Sociology major.

Join the Sociology Undergraduate Student Association.

Have inspired conversations and animated debates on global topics during International Week on campus.

Mid-Degree
Take risks, try new things, ask for and offer help to people you know and people you meet.

Gain research experience: check out the Certificate in Applied Social Science Research.

Apply to Arts Work Experience and gain full-time, paid experience.

Late Degree
Develop and revise your career story based on your values, interests, and what you learn.

Study abroad and receive guaranteed credit in Cortona or e3 Programs.

Ready to toss your cap in the air? Apply to graduate!

Ask professors to be academic references.

Present your Honors research at the Festival of Undergraduate Research and Creative Activities.

Take a course with a global emphasis, such as Racism and Decolonization.

Get an inside look at different careers in the Job Shadow Week program.

Learn more about Indigenous peoples, perspectives, and worldviews.

Take a course that offers a Community Service-Learning experience.

Have inspired conversations and animated debates on global topics during International Week on campus.