

## 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!

## OFFERS COURSES IN...

- Crime and law
- Family, life course, and population studies
- Gender and sexuality
- Global and transnational issues
- Health and medicine
- Policy and social change
- Race, ethnicity, and decolonization
- Research methods
- Theory and culture
- Work and economy

## COURSE REQUIREMENTS FOR YOUR MAJOR

Complete your major requirements and test out different classes. *Design your academic plan — you're in control!*

**A MAJOR IN SOCIOLOGY REQUIRES:** Successful completion of a minimum of ★48 to a maximum of ★60 in Sociology, which must include:

- SOC 100 - Introductory Sociology
- SOC 210 - Introduction to Social Statistics
- SOC 212 - Classical Social Theory
- SOC 315 - Introduction to Social Methodology
- SOC 335 - Themes in Contemporary Social Theory
- SOC 407 - Honors Essay I
- SOC 408 - Honors Essay II
- Nine credits SOC at the 300- or 400-level
- Six credits SOC at the 400-level
- Two of:
  - SOC 241 - Social Psychology
  - SOC 251 - Population and Society
  - SOC 260 - Inequality and Social Stratification
  - SOC 269 - Introductory Sociology of Globalization

## 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, 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.



2021 - 2022 ACADEMIC YEAR

### 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

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### WHAT STUDENTS SAY ABOUT THE PROGRAM:

"Honors for me was mainly about two things. First, the honors essay has allowed me to be curious about the social world and 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:

Applied Social Science Research, Community Engagement and Service-Learning, Engaged Leadership and Citizenship in Arts and Science, International Learning, Peace and Post-Conflict Studies.

### CONNECT TO EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING:

Arts Work Experience, Community Service-Learning, Study Abroad.

# BA SOCIOLOGY 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.



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



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.



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



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

Learn more about Indigenous peoples, perspectives, and worldviews.



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



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

### LATE DEGREE

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



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



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



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



Ask professors to be academic references.

