

What Can I Do With a Major In **SOCIOLOGY**?

Sociology is the study of how people and groups behave in society; of human social behavior, especially the study of the origins, organization, institutions, and development of human society. It is an analysis of a social institution or societal segment as a self-contained entity or in relation to society as a whole.

Typical Coursework

Introduction to Sociology	Sociological Theory
Research Methodology	Sociology of the Family
Social Problems	Statistics
Social Psychology	Introduction to Crime & Criminology
Gender in Society	Human Sexuality in Society
Sociology of Power	Juvenile Delinquency and Justice

In addition, students choose elective sociology courses to fulfill the major requirements.

Deviant Behavior	Social Inequality	Sociology of Sex and Gender
Gerontology (Aging)	Sociology of Race	Sociology of Sport
Population Studies	Sociology of Religion	Sociology of Food
Social Course and Stratification	Social Change	

Related Major Skills

Analyze, Synthesize & Interpret Information	Knowledge of Social Structures and Change
Interpersonal Communication (oral & written)	Interact well with Diverse Cultures/ Groups
Knowledge of Community Resources	Research and Planning (sociological)
Statistical Abilities	Critical Thinking
Ability to Understand & Improve Human Relationships	Resolve Conflicts/ Counseling
Insight into Group Dynamics	Work Well Under Pressure
Computer Skills (data processing & analysis)	

Related Occupations

Adoption Agent	Delinquency Counselor	Research Assistant
Aging Specialist	Family Guidance Clinic Worker	Social Welfare Examiner
Alcohol/Drug Case Worker	Foster Care Worker	Social Worker
Case Aid Worker	Human Resources Rep.	Social Movements Org. Worker
Child Welfare Officer	Job Analyst	Teacher
Community Service Worker	Labor Relations Rep.	Technical Writer
Consumer Advocate	Mental Health Worker	Veterans Affairs Specialist
Consumer Survey Advisor	Parole/Probation Officer	Welfare Worker
Correctional Case Worker	Peace Corp	Writer/Author
Corrections Officer	Public Opinion Surveyor	Prevention Educator
Data Analyst	Public Relation Specialist	Grant Writing

CAREERS REQUIRING ADDITIONAL EDUCATION OR EXPERIENCE

Consultant	Professor	Social Scientist
Gerontologist	Rehabilitation Counselor	Veterans Affairs Specialist
Marriage & Family Therapist	Researcher	Crisis Worker
Non-Profit Management	Social Worker	Public Administration
Policy Analysis	Social Statistics	Advocacy/Lobbying
Land & Water Conservation	Development/Fund-Raising	
Forensics/Investigation	Juvenile Justice	

Who Hires for this Occupation?

Human service agencies, counseling centers, outpatient mental health centers, hospitals, businesses, social service agencies, schools, local/state/federal government, and colleges/universities.

Minnesota Colleges and Universities with a major in SOCIOLOGY

Augsburg College	Bemidji State University	Bethany Lutheran College
Bethel University	Carleton College	College of St. Benedict
College of St. Scholastica	Concordia College	Concordia University
Gustavus Adolphus College	Hamline University	Macalester College
MN State Univ., Mankato	MN State Univ., Moorhead	St. John's University
Saint Catherine University	St. Cloud State University	St. Mary's Univ., Winona
St. Olaf College	Southwest MN State Univ.	University of MN – Duluth
University of MN – Morris	University of MN – Twin Cities	University of St. Thomas
Winona State Univ.		

Professional Association Links

The American Society for Criminology, <http://www.asc41.com/>
American Sociological Association, www.asanet.org
American Sociological Association Resources for Students,
<http://www.asanet.org/employment/careers.cfm>
Global Studies Association of North America, <http://www.net4dem.org/mayglobal>
International Sociological Association, <http://www.isa-sociology.org/>
Justice Studies Association, <http://www.justicestudies.org/>
Society for Applied Sociology, www.appliedsoc.org/
Sociologists of Minnesota: www.socmn.org
Society for the Study of Social Problems, <http://www.sssp1.org/>
Sociologists for Women in Society: www.socwomen.org

For More Information

Contact ARCC Career Counseling: (763) 433-1240 (CR campus), (763) 433-1840 (Cambridge campus) or stop by the campus Information Desk

Information adapted from: Minnesota Career Information System <https://mncis.intocareers.org>, and the Career Center at the University of North Carolina at Wilmington <http://uncw.edu/career/WhatCanIDoWithaMajorIn.html>