

Sociology



Sociology is the study of social life, social change, and the social causes and consequences of human behavior. It provides many distinctive perspectives on the world, generating new ideas and critiquing the old. Sociology students study human behavior, social interaction, and the structures and groups that make up society.

Because sociology addresses the most challenging issues of our time, it is a rapidly expanding field increasingly tapped by those who craft policies and create programs.

PROGRAMS

- Major, Bachelor of Arts in Sociology
- Minor in Health, Medicine, and Society
- Accelerated Fast-Track 5-year BA/MBA

CAREERS TO EXPLORE

- Social Welfare/Social Work
- Healthcare/Health Services
- Community Agencies
- Government Agencies (Census, Urban Planning, etc.)
- Criminal Justice Systems
- Business (Management, Research, Marketing, etc.)
- Public Relations/Journalism
- Education





Thomas Tong '20
Psychology and Sociology double major
Minor in Health, Medicine, and Society

"Declaring sociology as my second major was one of the best choices I made in college. I was inspired by extraordinary professors and mentors who delivered fascinating lectures on health, aging, human reproduction, and social inequality."

Did You Know?

Many students choose sociology for its broad liberal arts base for professions such as law, education, medicine, social work, and counseling.

SKILLS YOU'LL ACQUIRE

- An understanding of diversity and social dynamics
- How to navigate ethical issues involved in research
- How to gather and analyze qualitative and quantitative data
- Ability to relate to groups of people
- Great interpersonal skills, teamwork, collaboration and empathy

FAST FACTS

- Graduate Information Session events geared toward students post-bacc interests
- We offer a research/faculty pairing guide that provides opportunities to work one-on-one with a faculty member to gain research experiences
- Wide variety of student internships and work-study opportunities
- We provide a list of off campus experiences to help students gain elective credits in our major while building their skills. This fosters community within the Department with students and off campus networks
- Alumni mentoring opportunities
- Our Department has more than 500 students taking the Health, Medicine and Society (HMS) minor!
- The HMS minor is the most popular minor paired with Pre-Health majors



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