



SCHOOL OF GRADUATE
AND PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN SOCIOLOGY



MAJOR DESCRIPTION

Sociology is the study of human behavior, group processes, social institutions and societies. Sociologists are often interested in why people act in particular ways, how they function within social groups and how societies change over time. The subject matter of sociology is extremely wide-ranging, from the interaction between two people to economic and political relations among nations.

Do you want to be a participant in society and not a spectator? What we take for granted today did not become established by chance. Sociology is practice oriented and contributes to social changes. If you have ever asked whether our society can be a better place to live, or if we can ever truly realize equal opportunity for all, then explore Sociology and discover how you can make a difference.

The major features both a sociology and a human services concentration. The Human Services concentration encompasses fields involving community organization, family services, mental health, social work, alcohol and substance abuse, and criminal justice. This concentration is designed to prepare students for master's degree level study and careers in social service agencies, management and administration, nursing homes, the criminal justice system, and elementary or secondary schools. The General Sociology concentration provides broad discipline mastery and is excellent preparation for graduate school, law school, teaching, or a business career.

SCHOLARSHIPS

A variety of financial aid programs are available to sociology majors. The Department of Social Sciences awards scholarships and tuition waivers and the Financial Assistance Office can assist students with grants, loans, scholarships, and campus employment.

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Careers

Learning and development specialist, social worker, HR coordinator, paralegal, urban planner, community health worker, market research analyst, public relations specialist, diversity manager, school counselor, and more!

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Advantages

Sociology presents a fascinating and multifaceted discipline to better understand the world around you, explore what it means to be human, and to be you.

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Skills

- Leadership and communication
- Problem solving and relationship building
- Interpreting diverse social, political, and economic dynamics
- Researching and presenting data

STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES

Students can hone their analytical and writing skills by submitting their research to CHiPS: Cameron University Undergraduate Research Journal of Criminal Justice, History, Political Science, and Sociology. Many sociology majors also take classes that closely align with criminal justice and are encouraged to join Cameron's Criminal Justice Association.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

A bachelor's degree in sociology provides a strong foundation for a career in a variety of fields. Sociology students receive training in social science research methods, statistical analysis and computer skills. These skills can be used in conducting research for government agencies at the county, state and federal level. Sociology graduates can also use these research skills in the private sector as a data analyst conducting research for major corporations. Other careers include social work, program director, consultant, counselor, caseworker, child welfare officer, personnel specialist, public administrator, community organizer, labor relations representative, public relations director, or, like Martin Luther King, inspiring reformer.

DEPARTMENT DESCRIPTION

The Department of Social Sciences offers Bachelor degrees in Political Science, History, Criminal Justice, Sociology, and Social Studies Education, an Associates degree in Criminal Justice, and minors in geography, history, sociology, humanities, social sciences, criminal justice, political science, and pre-law.

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