Sociology, BS

LASOCBS

Discover the exciting world of sociology --- the study of social life and change. Gain valuable insight into social causes and human social behavior perfect for a career in business or social services. Continue your studies in a variety of graduate areas from social work and counseling to sociological research.

Program Description

Sociology is the study of social life, social change and the social causes and consequences of human behavior. The BS program in sociology offers courses on contemporary social issues that range from crime to population trends. Sociology courses also explore social institutions such as family, education, religion and the workplace. Students develop proficiency in written communication, computer skills, statistical analysis and research methodology.

At a Glance

- **College/School**: The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
- **Location**: Tempe campus or online

- **Additional Program Fee**: Yes
- **Second Language Requirement**: No
- **First Required Math Course**: MAT 142 - College Mathematics
- **Math Intensity**: General

Required Courses (Major Map)

2019 - 2020 Major Map (On-campus)
2019 - 2020 Major Map (Online)
Major Map (Archives)
Admission Requirements

General University Admission Requirements:

All students are required to meet general university admission requirements. 

Freshman | Transfer | International | Readmission

Change of Major Requirements

A current ASU student has no additional requirements for changing majors.

Students should refer to https://changingmajors.asu.edu/request for information about how to change a major to this program.

Attend Online

ASU offers this program in an online format with multiple enrollment sessions throughout the year. Applicants may view the program description and request more information here.

Transfer Options

ASU is committed to helping students thrive by offering tools that allow personalization of the transfer path to ASU. Students may use the Transfer Map search to outline a list of recommended courses to take prior to transfer.

ASU has transfer partnerships in Arizona and across the country to create a simplified transfer experience for students. These pathway programs include exclusive benefits, tools and resources, and help students save time and money in their college journey. Students may learn more about these programs by visiting the admission site: https://admission.asu.edu/transfer/pathway-programs.

Global Opportunities

Global Experience

With over 250 programs in more than 65 countries (ranging from one week to one year), study abroad is possible for all ASU students wishing to gain global skills and knowledge in preparation for a 21st-century career. Students earn ASU credit for completed courses, while staying on track for graduation, and may apply financial aid and scholarships toward program costs. https://mystudyabroad.asu.edu/
Career Opportunities

An undergraduate degree in sociology provides excellent preparation for future graduate work in:

- law
- medicine and counseling
- social work
- sociological research

The degree also prepares undergraduates for direct entry into positions in:

- business
- government
- social service

Career examples include but are not limited to those shown in the following list. Advanced degrees or certifications may be required for academic or clinical positions.

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<th>Career</th>
<th>*Growth</th>
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<tr>
<td>Advocate</td>
<td>16.4%</td>
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<td>Behavioral Health Specialist</td>
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<td>Counselor (General)</td>
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* Data obtained from the Occupational Information Network (O*NET) under sponsorship of the U.S. Department of Labor/Employment and Training Administration (USDOL/ETA).
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