Discover the exciting world of sociology. Gain valuable insight into social institutions and human social behavior --- perfect for a career in business, social services and community advocacy. 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.

Students currently enrolled in the Bachelor of Science in sociology may not pursue a concurrent degree with the BS in family and human development due to the high level of overlap in curriculum. Students should speak with their academic advisor for any further questions.

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)
Admission Requirements

General University Admission Requirements:
All students are required to meet general university admission requirements.

Change of Major Requirements

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

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 MyPath2ASU™ 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

Students are able to enhance their understanding of societal structure and social change through unique cultural experiences while studying abroad. Students gain heightened cultural competency, communication and critical thinking skills while exploring a new and exciting part of the world. Programs can be found in a wide range of countries, from Spain to Israel. https://mystudyabroad.asu.edu/
Career Opportunities

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

- law
- health-related professions
- social work and counseling
- 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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<td>Advocate</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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