

# SOCIOLOGY, ASSOCIATE OF ARTS (AA)

## Overview

Sociology is the study of society and everyday life, and as such, looks at a wide range of topics concerning social structure and human behavior.

Sociological theories and methods can be applied to studying virtually any aspect of social life: culture and technology; crime and deviance; politics and economics; the self and socialization; family and group dynamics; class, race and gender; social movements and social change.

Sociology is a dynamic discipline that is particularly well suited to understanding the nature of social reality, and addressing issues in an evolving and complex contemporary world. The Sociology major is designed to provide a strong foundation for students interested in learning the basic tools of sociology, including social theories and research methods, and how to apply them to an analysis of practically any area of social life. Sociology provides a broad foundation that prepares students for a variety of career paths

## Requirements

### Associate Degree Graduation Requirements

Complete all of the following:

1. All Department Requirements listed below with a "C" or better or "P" in each course (at least 20% of the department requirements must be completed through SBCC).
2. One of the following three General Education options:
  - a. OPTION 1: A minimum of 18 units of SBCC General Education Requirements (<https://catalog.sbccc.edu/degrees-certificates-awards/#associateddegreestext>) (Areas A-D) and Institutional Requirements (Area E) and Information Competency Requirement (Area F) OR
  - b. OPTION 2: IGETC (<https://catalog.sbccc.edu/transfer-curricula/#igetctext>) Pattern OR
  - c. OPTION 3: CSU GE Breadth (<https://catalog.sbccc.edu/transfer-curricula/#csugebtext>) Pattern
3. A total of 60 degree-applicable units (SBCC courses numbered 100 and higher).
4. Maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or better in all units attempted at SBCC.
5. Maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or better in all college units attempted.
6. A minimum of 12 units through SBCC.

Code	Title	Units
Department Requirements		
SOC 101	Introduction To Sociology	3-4
or SOC 101H	Introduction to Sociology, Honors	
Complete two courses from the following:		6
SOC 104	Social Psychology	
SOC 106	Sociology of Deviance	
SOC 109	Social Problems	
Complete three courses not used above from the following:		9-11
ANTH 103	Introduction To Cultural Anthropology	

GEOG 102	Human Geography
SOC 103	Marriage, Family and Intimacy
SOC 104	Social Psychology
SOC 106	Sociology of Deviance
SOC 107 or ETHS 107	Racism in America Racism In America
SOC 109	Social Problems
SOC 113	Sociology Of Sex and Gender
SOC 115	Introduction To Social Research
SOC 118	Media, Culture and Society
SOC 120	Introduction to Social Work
SOC 125 or MATH 117 or PSY 150	Introduction to Statistics in Sociology Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences
SOC 127	Introduction to Women's Studies
PHIL 101 or PHIL 101H	Introduction to Ethics Introduction To Ethics, Honors
HIST 101	History of the U.S. to 1877
HIST 102 or HIST 102H	History of the U.S. Since 1865 History Of The U.S. Since 1865, Honors
POLS 101	

**Total Units**

**18.00-21.00**

## Learning Outcomes

1. Explain the major theoretical perspectives in sociology and apply them to the analysis of social phenomena.
2. Describe the key concepts associated with one or more substantive areas of the discipline, and apply them to an analysis of social phenomena.
3. Analyze the role of social forces in shaping the individual.
4. Explain how individuals create and sustain society through collective action.
5. Define the role of social institutions in society.
6. Explain how structures and processes of social inequality across such dimensions as class, race and gender influence the life experiences of individuals.
7. Utilize a variety of research methods to collect data and to produce original written work, according to social scientific standards.
8. Discuss the ethical standards that guide research in the social sciences.

## Recommended Sequence

Make an appointment with your SBCC academic counselor through Starfish to create a Student Education Plan that reflects a recommended course sequence for this program that is tailored to your individual needs.

How to schedule an Academic Counseling appointment (<https://www.sbccc.edu/counselingcenter/counselingappointments.php>).