



University
of Windsor



**SOCIOLOGY
EXPERIENCE MAP**

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SOCIOLOGY AND CRIMINOLOGY

HIGHLIGHTS AND SKILLS

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Sociology **GHC**

Society today is complicated. You'll learn how to unravel its most urgent issues in this program that is focused on research, analysis and communication — skills relevant to a wide range of fields. You can tailor your degree by picking courses that match your interests. The department is small, ensuring you'll get lots of personal attention.

Sociology and Criminology **III**

Get inside the criminal mind and see it through the lens of broader sociological trends. Customize your degree by selecting courses that match your interests. You'll love our small class sizes and the personal attention you'll get from our faculty.

MIN. AVG.* 70% ONTARIO COURSE REQUIREMENTS
ENG4U required.

FUNCTIONAL KNOWLEDGE

- Understanding human behaviour, communication, and interaction from a social perspective
- Appreciating contemporary social, community and ethical issues and related public policy
- Understanding and applying behavioural components of sociological theory
- Understanding the ways in which various social, cultural, and community groups interrelate
- Conducting, explaining, and interpreting sociological research and applying the findings
- Appreciating the respective roles of various governmental, community, and social institutions

G General **H** Honours **C** Combined Honours programs available * Minimum grade point average for admission to program. A higher average may be required.




BUILD YOUR SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE

Your UWindsor experience is more than attending classes. It is a combination of academics, co-curricular activities, and extracurricular involvement. By making the most of all three elements of your

university experience, you will maximize your opportunities to build your skills, broaden your personal network, and clarify your long term academic and career goals.

CAREER PLANNING CYCLE

Intentional career planning will help you prepare for your next step after graduation and beyond. It is a fluid, dynamic, and lifelong process. You can move on or return to an earlier stage in the cycle at any time.

	CURRICULUM Courses of study specific to each program
	CO-CURRICULAR Activities and experiences that complement coursework (Outstanding Scholars, peer mentoring, VIP)
	EXTRACURRICULAR Activities falling outside the scope of set curriculum (Part-time job, clubs, volunteering, athletics)



EXPLORE OPPORTUNITIES USING THIS CHART

Explore a selection of opportunities recommended for students in your program. This chart shows some of your many options – you don't have to do everything on it or limit yourself to it. Engage in opportunities from each of the three categories to set yourself up for success.

HIGH-IMPACT PRACTICE (HIP)

A HIP is an enriching educational experience that can be life-changing and often includes learning outside of the classroom while encouraging meaningful interaction and collaboration, such as:

- Co-op, internship or field experiences
- Research with faculty
- Culminating senior experience
- Capstone courses
- Service-learning
- Learning communities
- Study abroad

ACADEMICS

Your coursework



- Take required courses including Understanding Social Life and Social Dilemmas: Social Science Perspectives and Effective Writing I and II
- Review degree course requirements
- Enrol in a variety of social science courses to determine your core interests
- Meet with an academic advisor

EXPERIENCE

Ways to get involved



- Explore available Criminology and Sociology potential research assistantships or field placements **HIP**
- Volunteer with local government, non-profit or a social justice community organization
- Investigate research opportunities as part of the **Outstanding Scholars** program **HIP**
- Research student exchange opportunities for middle years **HIP**
- Join clubs such as the **University of Windsor Criminology Association, Social Science Society** or **UWSA**
- Participate in the **Bystander Initiative** workshop to gain skills that will help you be an effective and supportive ally to prevent sexual assault on campus

CAREER

Plan ahead for what's next



- Create a list of things that you enjoy, areas in which you excel, and your skills
- Meet with a career advisor in **Career Development and Experiential Learning (CDEL)** for help developing a plan for your future years
- Consider a career assessment appointment to help you identify possible career paths
- Get involved with a part-time job, volunteer opportunity, campus group, or research assistantship
- Attend **CDEL** workshops to learn how to find a summer or part-time job and write a university-level resumé
- Drop in to meet with one of **CDEL's** peer advisors to get answers to your career and job search questions

MIDDLE YEARS

- Take required courses and check in with academic advisor to make sure you are on the right path
- Look into completing a research project in final year **HIP**
- Begin taking courses in accordance with an Anthropology minor or a minor in another discipline
- Seek out courses that offer field experience **HIP**
- Start taking courses required as pre-requisites for graduate/professional school
- Consider declaring a minor and/or specialization

- Join a professional association in your field such as the **Canadian Sociology Association** or **Canadian Anthropology Association**
- Participate in **UWill Discover** undergraduate research conference **HIP**
- Volunteer with a community organization such as **Hiatus House** or **Children's Aid Society**
- Apply for student exchange program **HIP**
- Expand your skills by taking on a summer, part-time or volunteer position
- Look for a leadership role in a club or society
- Apply for a co-curricular experience such as **VIP - Community Service Learning**

- Research career fields and occupations with the help of a **CDEL** career advisor
- Explore opportunities and meet potential employers by participating in job fairs and industry networking events
- Explore further educational opportunities by attending the **Graduate and Professional Schools Fair** and researching admission requirements for programs you are interested in
- Create a **LinkedIn** profile and have it critiqued
- Take part in informational interviews and join online communities like **LinkedIn** and **Ten Thousand Coffees** to connect with people in your targeted profession or industry
- Search job postings to learn what skills, knowledge, and credentials you will need for potential careers

FINAL YEAR

- Meet with an academic advisor to go over degree requirements
- Complete all required courses for your degree
- Apply to graduate through **UWinsite Student Portal**
- Work with a faculty member on a research project or publication **HIP**
- Take a field work course to culminate your senior experience **HIP**

- Become a teaching assistant or research assistant with a faculty member **HIP**
- Run for a **UWSA** executive position
- Conduct field research with faculty member **HIP**
- Become a tutor for **Students Offering Support (SOS)** **HIP**
- Join the **UWindsor Model NATO** or **Model United Nations**

- If you are considering applying to graduate or professional school, be aware of early application deadlines
- Meet with **CDEL** to prepare application documents like a resumé, cover letter, CV, or personal statement for jobs and education programs you are applying to
- Attend **CDEL's workshops** on interview skills and job search strategies
- Use **InterviewStream** to practice your interview skills online
- Set up an in-person mock interview with a career advisor for professional school or job applications
- Meet employers at the annual job fair in January
- Compose a portfolio of relevant academic and work experience
- Explore professional development opportunities through **Continuing Education**

LIFE AFTER GRADUATION



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Engaging in various campus club activities relating to my major was the greatest asset towards improving my resumé. From being able to network with United Nations leaders from all over the world, as well as becoming a well-rounded candidate for job applications, I can confidently say that getting involved with University of Windsor campus clubs could be every students' peak of their educational career.”

Alaina Jraige – BA (Honours) in Sociology [2018]

61 NUMBER OF GRADUATES (2018)

93% EMPLOYMENT RATE OF GRADUATES

Employment rate of graduates 2 years following degree completion [OUGS Social Sciences, 2017]

CAREER TRACKS*

Border services
Business advisor
Case worker
Child and youth worker
Community relations worker
Consultant
Court monitor

Demographer
Development analyst
Educational assistant
Human resources manager
Immigration officer
Journalist
Law enforcement officer

Lawyer
Legal consultant
Mediator
Paralegal
Policy analyst
Probation officer
Professor

Project manager
Public relations
Research co-ordinator
Social worker
Support worker
Teacher
Youth worker

* Additional education and/or training required for some of the above careers.



COMMON SECTORS FOR GRADUATES

- **Academia:** advanced social research
- **Business:** research and analysis, human resources, project management
- **Education:** advising, counselling, corporate training
- **Government:** research and policy development
- **Healthcare:** administration, counselling
- **Law and law enforcement**
- **Immigration and community integration**
- **Social research agencies**
- **Social service and community agencies**

CAREER-READINESS COMPETENCIES



CRITICAL THINKING
AND PROBLEM
SOLVING



PROFESSIONALISM
AND WORK ETHIC



TEAMWORK AND
COLLABORATION



COMMUNICATION



CAMPUS RESOURCES

- Research scholarships and bursaries through the **Student Awards and Financial Aid Office**
- Visit **Leddy Library** and the **Writing Support Desk** for help with academic assignments
- Learn about our **Bounce Back** program designed to support students struggling to find both personal and academic success in their post-secondary experience
- Build leadership skills and find leadership opportunities at the **Leadership Hub**
- Experience international service learning on an **Alternative Spring Break** team
- Get advice and support about your academic status by making an appointment with **Academic Advising**
- Seek out assistance with academic accommodation from **Student Accessibility Services**
- Discover ways to get involved on campus through the **Student Success and Leadership Centre**
- Look into the **Ignite: Work Study** program for on-campus employment opportunities
- Get assistance developing your career plan and job search skills from **Career Development and Experiential Learning**
- Consult with the **EPICentre** if you are interested in starting your own business
- Broaden your cultural awareness through the **International Student Centre** and **Student Exchange Office**
- Find support for Indigenous learners and broaden your understanding of Indigenous culture by visiting **Turtle Island**
- Tend to your health and wellness with support from **Student Health Services** and **Lancer Recreation**
- Receive confidential mental health counselling delivered by trained professionals at the **Student Counselling Centre**
- Seek personal support or learn more about sexual violence education through the **Sexual Misconduct Response and Prevention Office**
- Explore professional development opportunities through **Continuing Education**

We've got you covered!

GET IN TOUCH

STUDENT RECRUITMENT

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