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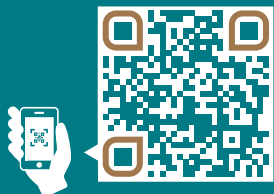
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# Bachelor of Arts in SOCIOLOGY







## THE PROGRAM

### The Bachelor of Arts in Sociology

Coastal Carolina University's sociology major involves the study of human social behavior - specifically organizations, institutions, stratification, and social change in human societies. The program also involves the analysis of society as a whole and applies theoretical and practical solutions to modern social problems. Students who graduate from the program go on to hold positions including diversity manager, human resources coordinator, market research analyst, school counselor, social worker, paralegal, and urban planner.

## MINOR PROGRAMS



### Minors

Students may also choose one of the following minors:

**The sociology minor** offers students majoring in other fields a foundation in core areas of sociology through course work in introductory sociology, as well as upper level courses such as demography, social structures, and sociological theory. A total of 21 credit hours in approved coursework is required to complete the minor.

**The social justice minor**, for students majoring in other fields, seeks to inspire and instill a commitment to democracy and action around principles of equality and justice. The minor is intended to prepare them for positions in education/research, teaching, advocacy, public service, and other positions where they may serve as agents of social change. A total of 18 credit hours in approved coursework is required to complete the minor.

**The criminology minor** offers students majoring in other fields a foundation in core areas of criminology, which are grounded in social theory and use scientific research methods to explore criminal behavior and the criminal justice system. A total of 18 credit hours in approved coursework is required to complete the minor.

## THE STUDENT EXPERIENCE



- Sociology is a broad-based field of study that prepares students for entry-level positions throughout the criminal justice, business, social service and government worlds, or for further study in law, social work, counseling, and other graduate programs.
- Students have the opportunity to participate in internships with various local agencies, including those dealing with spousal and child abuse, law enforcement, care of the elderly, community recreation programs, and alcohol and drug recovery programs.
- Sociology majors can present their research and report on their internship experiences at local and regional meetings and conferences.
- Sociology majors may pursue a general course of study or opt for more concentrated study in one of three sociological tracks: criminology, health and aging, or social justice.

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES



Below are a few of the many employment opportunities available to graduates in the fields of sociology and criminal justice:

- Adult parole/probation officer
- Child abuse investigator
- Child support enforcement agent
- City police officer
- Community outreach, alcohol and drug abuse prevention
- Counselor, residential facility for juvenile drug and alcohol abuse
- County prosecutor's office investigator
- Domestic violence investigator, county law enforcement
- Drug enforcement administration agent
- Federal Bureau of Investigation agent
- Fraud investigator, bank
- Highway patrol officer
- Homeland security agent
- Human rights advocate
- Immigration and naturalization service agent
- International conflict mediation
- Inventory control director, department store
- Lawyer
- Mediator
- Mental health division investigator, office of public defender
- Paralegal
- Police officer, U.S. Capitol
- Private security firm investigator
- Research and statistics, county court
- Secret Service agent
- Security, U.S. State Department
- State board of pharmacy investigator
- State bureau of criminal investigation agent
- U.S. Customs agent
- U.S. Department of Justice; Office of Justice programs
- Unit manager, adult correctional institution
- University professor
- Victim assistance program director
- Victim-offender reconciliation



The program offers a good mix of applied sociology experiences and how to conduct sociological research. I felt well prepared to continue my education into graduate school after graduating from the program. My most memorable experiences from undergrad come from conducting interviews with people experiencing homelessness and other work I did with the Rolling Forward program. I definitely recommend this program to anyone who is passionate about addressing social issues."

— Courtney Brown '19  
Sociology

