SOCIOLOGY
Major, Bachelor of Arts (Honours) | degree PLAN

Sample Year by Year

1ST YEAR
- SOCY 122/6.0 or (BISC 100/3.0 and BISC 101/3.0)
- 24.0 units of electives

2ND YEAR
- SOCY 210/3.0
- SOCY 211/3.0 or one of STAT _Options
- SOCY 226/3.0
- SOCY 227/3.0
- 6.0 units of SOCY at the 200 level or above; SOCY Options 2.C.
- 12.0 units of electives and/or minor

3RD YEAR
- 18.0 units from of SOCY Options
- 9.0 units of electives and/or minor

4TH YEAR
- 18.0 units from SOCY Options
- 12.0 units of electives and/or minor

Note that degree requirements are revised regularly. The most current requirements, including course lists and options, are found in the Academic Calendar at: QUarts.com/academic-calendar

Sociologists investigate how societies work. We study social life at every level, from personal relationships to the functioning of institutions and nations, right up to global interconnections. Our department is widely known for its strengths in criminology and the law, media (informational and surveillance), and social inequalities and social justice. Studying Sociology at Queen’s will help you understand the structures and dynamics of societies and the complex effects they have on human behaviour, public issues, everyday life, politics, and culture.

Plan:
- 60.0 units plus electives (or a combination of a minor and electives) to a total of 120 units.

Core
- SOCY 122

Option
- SOCY 210

Electives and/or Minor
- SOCY 300

2018-19 thresholds
2.0 CGPA

Open
Pending list

*Thresholds are made on a competitive basis and are updated annually. For the latest information please visit: QUarts.com
# Sociology Major Map

## 1st Year

### Get the Courses You Need
In first year you will have the chance to explore the foundations of Sociology along with some electives. See the back page for specific courses to consider.

### Get Relevant Experience
Join teams or clubs on campus such as Sexual Health and Resource Centre and the Queen's Project on International Development (QPID). Volunteer at nearby hospitals, Kingston charities, or organizations like Queen's Health Outreach (QHO) and Student Wellness Services. See the AMS Clubs Directory or the Queen's Get Involved page for more ideas.

### Get Connected with the Community
Volunteer on or off-campus with different community organizations, such as the Levine Gender Advocacy Centre, Half the Sky, Soul Food, and Community Literacy Centres.

### Get Thinking Globally
Prepare for work or studies in a multi-cultural environment by taking QUIC's Intercultural Competency Certificate, and research possible immigration regulations.

### Get Ready for Life After Graduation
Grappling with program decisions? Go to Majors Night or get some help wondering about career options from Career Services.

## 2nd Year

### Get the Courses You Need
Start going deeper into the discipline of Sociology, while considering a minor and/or certificate such as Media Studies. Attend Degree + in the fall term to learn more about Certificates and Internship options.

### Get Relevant Experience
Look into summer jobs by talking to the dept. or Career Services about work through SWEP or Work-Study.

### Get Connected with the Community
Get involved with the Departmental Student Council (DSC). Make friends in your Major: collaborate, seek support, or start study group.

### Get Thinking Globally
Is an exchange in your future? Start thinking about where you would like to study abroad. Apply in January for a third year exchange through the International Programs Office.

### Get Ready for Life After Graduation
Explore different careers of interest by reading books in the Career Services Information Area, such as Great Jobs for Sociology Majors. For more information check out Career Cruising or by finding and connecting with alumni on LinkedIn.

## 3rd Year

### Get the Courses You Need
A chance to start grouping courses in areas of interest, or to keep it more general and explore many areas of Sociology. Meet with an Academic Advisor to make sure you are on track and have planned out your courses for next year — for some ideas, see the back page.

### Get Relevant Experience
If interested, apply for an Undergraduate Student Summer Research Fellowship (USSRF). Consider applying to do a 12-16 month QUIP internship between your third and fourth year.

### Get Connected with the Community
Do targeted networking with alumni working in careers of interest by joining the LinkedIn group Queen's Connects. Check out Career Services networking workshops.

### Get Thinking Globally
Build your intercultural competence by getting involved with other cultures or by practicing or improving your language skills.

### Get Ready for Life After Graduation
Start focusing on areas of interest. Research education requirements for careers of interest. If needed, prepare to take any required tests (like the LSAT or GMAT) and get help thinking about Grad School from Career Services.

## 4th or Final Year

### Get the Courses You Need
In fourth year you will have the chance to participate in research-based courses that can lead to Graduate School or to your future career path. Make sure to finish up all your courses for your major and your optional minor and/or certificate(s).

### Get Relevant Experience
Investigate requirements for full-time jobs or other opportunities related to careers of interest. Assess what experience you’re lacking and fill in gaps with volunteering, clubs, or internships — check out the Career Services skills workshop for help.

### Get Connected with the Community
Consider joining professional associations like the Canadian Sociological Association and the Canadian Association of Social Workers.

### Get Thinking Globally
International students interested in staying in Canada can speak with an International Student Advisor.

### Get Ready for Life After Graduation
Apply to jobs or future education, or make plans for other adventures. Get help from Career Services with job searching, resumes, interviews, Grad School applications, or other decisions.

### What will I learn?
A degree in Sociology can equip you with valuable and versatile skills, such as:

- Research skills to conduct research, use social scientific databases, explain and interpret social research data
- Research techniques to employ relevant qualitative and quantitative research techniques to produce and analyze data
- Ability to accurately and critically evaluate existing research and programs
- Reason and argument to develop coherent and reasoned argument, deconstruct and critique arguments and evidence
- Problem-solving to approach an issue from several perspectives in a systematic manner
- Oral, written and media communication to write coherent reports, present information orally and visually in a range of media
- Resource and time management for effective prioritization of resources, skills, and time to complete projects

### Where can I go?
A degree in Sociology can take your career in many directions. Many students choose to continue their academic inquiry with a Master's degree. Our students are equipped with a strong foundation for careers in:

- Communications
- Consumer research
- Criminology
- Demography
- Health research
- Informatics
- Public administration
- Public relations
- Social policy and social services
- Social Work

Taking time to explore career options, build experience and network can help you have a smooth transition to the world of work after graduation.