

MAJOR IN SOCIOLOGY

PUBLIC POLICY & ADMINISTRATION

WHY SOCIOLOGY?

Sociology provides a critical understanding of societal issues, making it an ideal major for those interested in shaping public policy. With a focus on analyzing and addressing social problems, this career path prepares you for roles in government, NGOs, or public policy organizations.

MARKETABLE SKILLS

Policy Analysis: Ability to assess and develop public policies
Data Research: Skills in collecting and analyzing data relevant to public policy
Critical Thinking: Capability to evaluate societal issues and propose policy solutions
Leadership: Skills to manage projects and lead teams in public and non-profit sectors

POSSIBLE COURSES

SOC 322: Class Inequality
SOC 340: Sociology of International Development
SOC 405: Multiple Regression Analysis
SOC 421: Sociology of Organizations
SOC 425: Markets and Society

Internships:
Project Evaluation and Assessment Team (PEAT)—students in this program assess the effectiveness of NGOs

GRADUATE PROGRAMS

Master of Public Administration: Leadership roles in public administration
Master of Public Policy: Specialized roles in policy analysis
Master of International Relations: Global policy and diplomacy
PhD in Public Policy/Sociology: Academic or high-level research positions

CAREERS

Policy analyst
Public administrator
NGO program manager
Legislative aide
Management and social impact consulting

Interested in learning more? Contact the Sociology Department for academic advising and more information on this career.

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