

# MAJOR IN SOCIOLOGY

## LAW & CRIMINOLOGY

### WHY SOCIOLOGY?

Sociology provides a comprehensive understanding of the social factors that contribute to crime and deviance. This knowledge is essential for those pursuing careers in criminology and criminal justice, where you'll work to understand, prevent, and address criminal behavior within society.

### MARKETABLE SKILLS

**Criminological Theory:** Understanding the social theories behind crime and deviance  
**Research Methods:** Applying qualitative and quantitative methods to study crime  
**Data Analysis:** Analyzing crime statistics and trends  
**Critical Thinking:** Evaluating the effectiveness of criminal justice policies  
**Communication:** Presenting findings to law enforcement agencies and policy-makers

### POSSIBLE COURSES

**SOC 380:** Deviant Behavior and Social Control  
**SOC 383:** Juvenile Delinquency  
**SOC 423:** Sociology of Immigration  
**SOC 481:** Crime, Justice, and Corrections

**Internships:**  
Treatment and detention facilities, courts, or law firms, and the Washington Seminar

### GRADUATE PROGRAMS

**Law School:** Human rights and immigration law or public defense  
**Master of Criminal Justice:** Law enforcement, corrections, and the judicial system  
**PhD in Sociology/Criminology:** Academic and research careers in criminology

### CAREERS

**Lawyer**  
**Criminologist**  
**Criminal justice researcher**  
**Law enforcement analyst**