

What Can I Do With This **Ohio State** Major?

Bachelor of Arts

Sociology

College of Arts and Sciences

Sociology is the study of group life. Sociologists investigate the structure of groups, organizations, and societies. The goal is to understand the characteristics, causes, and consequences of human behavior and social relationships in various kinds of groups and settings. Because human behavior is diverse, the field of sociology covers a diversity of subjects. Sociologists may specialize in the family, the urban community, education, health and medicine, social movements, deviance, crime and law, religion, politics, work and occupations, sports and leisure, race and ethnic minorities, gender and sex roles, or other areas of human behavior. Sociology is a liberal arts/social science major that provides graduates with the scientific tools and the perspective necessary to better understand social issues and complex societal problems.ⁱ

Career Areas/Job Titles:

Management and Industry

Human Resources Manager
Program Manager
Customer Service Representative
Marketing Research Analyst
Public Relations Administrator

Health Professions

Rehabilitation Counselor
Mental Health Service Worker
Social Worker

Science and Technology

Data Analyst

Policy or Program Analyst
Market Researcher

Education

Professor
School Administrator

Non-Profit/Advocacy

Community Relation Specialist
Child Care Worker
Social and Human Service Worker
Development/Fundraiser
Director
Social Work

Court/Juvenile Service Agent

Government/Politics

Court Administrator
Attorney
Legal Assistant
Politician
Paralegal
Judge
Case Worker
Public Administrator
Researcher

**Some careers may require licensure, certification, or further education. Talk to an advisor about specific requirements.*

Transferable Skills:

Law and Government
Listening Skills
Written/Verbal Communication
Counseling Skills
Cultural Understanding
Social Perceptiveness

Teamwork
Identifying Problems
Research Skills
Judgment & Decision Making
Implementing Decisions
Negotiating

Organization Skills
Clear and Logical Thinking
Strategic Planning/Visioning
Analytical/Critical Thinking
Problem Solving
Attention to detail

**This is not an extensive list of transferable skills. See larger list of skills you might develop here:*

<http://ccss.osu.edu>

Professional Links:

OSU Department of Sociology: <http://sociology.osu.edu/undergraduate-program>

American Sociological Association: <http://www.asanet.org/employment/sociology.cfm>

International Sociological Association: <http://www.isa-sociology.org/>

Mid-South Sociological Association: <http://www.midsouthsoc.org/>