

Sociology -- Career Resources

What can I do with a degree in Sociology?

Sociologists use social theory and research methods to explore the complexities of social issues and the problems associated with social organization and disorganization. At UNT, faculty and students are actively engaged in programs of applied research and service throughout the community. Existing programs help develop and provide services such as health care to lower-income populations and greater access to available social resources for the socially disadvantaged.

(From http://www.pacs.unt.edu/baas/programs_offered/majors.htm#sociology and <http://www.asu.edu/clas/sociology/>)

Includes Traditional and Non-Traditional Titles, some require additional training or graduate/post-graduate degrees

| Sociology Job-Related Titles | | |
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| Urban Planning | Contingency Planner | Demographer |
| Habitation Specialist | Environmental Planner | Industrial |
| Health Services | Housing Manager | Sociologist |
| Research | Human Services Manager | Criminologist |
| Correctional Officer | Employment | Rural Sociologist |
| Area Outreach Worker | Counselor/Interviewer | Social Problems |
| Data Analyst | Health Care Product | Specialist |
| Market Research | Development | Urban Sociologist |
| Adult/Juvenile Probation | Public Works Director | Social Pathologist |
| | Penologist | |

(Some titles from <http://web.txwesleyan.edu/sociology/greatjobs.html>)

Bureau of Labor Statistics Information

Sociologists (<http://www.bls.gov/oco/ocos054.htm>)

- Sociologists study society and social behavior by examining the groups and social institutions people form.
- They also study the behavior of, and interaction among, groups, trace their origin and growth, and analyze the influence of group activities on individual members.
- Sociologists are concerned with the characteristics of social groups, organizations, and institutions
- The results of sociological research aid educators, lawmakers, administrators, and others interested in resolving social problems and formulating public policy.
- Most sociologists work in one or more specialties, such as social organization, stratification, and mobility; racial and ethnic relations; education; family; social psychology; urban, rural, political, and comparative sociology; sex roles and relations; demography; gerontology; criminology; and sociological practice.
- Overall employment of social scientists is expected to grow about as fast as the average for all occupations through 2012.

Sociology Job Search/Listings Websites

Employment links for sociologists (<http://jobbank.asanet.org/jobbank/index.cfm>)

Professional Associations, Organizations, and List-servs

American Sociological Association [ASA] (<http://www.asanet.org/>)

More Associations from ASA

(<http://www.asanet.org/page.wv?section=Aligned+Associations&name=Aligned+Associations>)

Association of Black Sociologists (<http://www.blacksociologists.org/index.html>)

Sociologists for Women in Society (<http://newmedia.colorado.edu/~socwomen/>)

Articles, News Items, and Websites

iseek section on Sociologists (<http://www.iseek.org/sv/13000.jsp?id=100199>)

Internet Resources for Sociologists (<http://www.umsl.edu/~sociolog/resource.htm>)

Books and Other Print References

Student Development Office Career Services Collection

| TITLE | AUTHOR/PUBLISHER | ISBN# | YEAR |
|--|---------------------------|---------------|------|
| <i>Great jobs for sociology majors</i> | Lambert, Stephen and Deb. | 0-07-140301-9 | 2003 |

General Sociology Books at UNT Dallas Library

| TITLE | AUTHOR/PUBLISHER | CALL# | ISBN# | YEAR |
|--|---|---------------|------------|------|
| Handbook of disability studies | Albrecht, Gary L., Katherine D. Seelman, Michael Bury | HV1568.2 .H36 | 0761916520 | 2001 |
| A dictionary of sociology | Marshall, Gordon | HM17 .C66 | 0192800817 | 1998 |
| The order of things: how everything in the world is organized—into hierarchies, structures, & pecking orders | Kipfer, Barbara Ann | AG105 .K57 | 0375701648 | 1998 |
| International encyclopedia of sociology | Magill, Frank N. consulting ed. | HM17 .I53 | 1884964451 | 1995 |