

SOCIAL WORK, AREA OF CONCENTRATION IN ARTS & SCIENCES (AA)

Award: Associate of Arts Degree

No. of credits required: 60

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Program Description

The Sociology program prepares students for a wide variety of careers in government, business, and non-profit organizations, such as research and demography, clinical and counseling services, applied anthropology, and human services. Students can choose from three concentrations that have been developed to facilitate transfer to baccalaureate programs in sociology, social work, or anthropology/sociology.

Program Goals

Upon completion of the sociology program, students will be able to:

1. Apply basic concepts and theories of the discipline to various social structures.
2. Compose research papers employing appropriate information literacy skills and using standard writing formats such as APA.
3. Identify patterns of human behavior and apply appropriate human constructs through their participation in an experiential learning activity.
4. Identify and employ the Council on Social Work Education's (CSWE) core competency standards and practice behaviors for Generalist Social Work practice.

Transfer Information

Students have options for transfer to many institutions, both in Maryland and across the United States.

Employment Information

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, positions for sociologists are expected to grow through 2020. Employment for social workers, especially, is expected to increase faster than average (25%) 2010- 2020.

Degree Requirements

Recommended Course Sequence

First Semester		Credits
SOC 101	Introduction to Sociology (GB)	3
ENG 101	English Composition (GE)	3
PSY 101	General Psychology (GB)	3
	Biological/Physical Lab Science Elective (GL) (https://catalog.harford.edu/general-education/#biological-physical-laboratory-science) ¹	4
Credits		13
Second Semester		
SOC 102	Social Problems (GB)	3
ENG 109	English Composition: Research Writing	3
SOC 200	Introduction to Social Work	3

Mathematics Elective (GM) (https://catalog.harford.edu/general-education/#mathematics) ^{2,3}		3
General Elective ⁴		3
Credits		15
Third Semester		
SOC 201	Marriage and the Family (GB)	3
CMST 101	Speech Fundamentals (GI)	3
	or CMST 105	or Interpersonal Communication (GI)
SOC 214	Juvenile Delinquency	3
Arts/Humanities Elective (GAH)		3
General Elective ⁴		3
Physical Education Elective		1
Credits		16
Fourth Semester		
Select one of the following:		3
ECON 102	Microeconomics (GB)	
PS 101	American National Government (GB)	
PS 102	State and Local Government (GB)	
Social Work Track Elective (p. 1)		3
Arts/Humanities Elective (GAH)		3
History Elective (GB) ⁵		3
Biological/Physical Science Elective (GS) (https://catalog.harford.edu/general-education/#science) ⁶		3
Physical Education Elective		1
Credits		16
Total Credits		60

¹ BIO 100 Fundamentals of Biology (GL) or BIO 120 General Biology I (GL) is recommended.

² MATH 216 Introduction to Statistics (GM) is recommended if transfer is planned.

³ A four credit course in mathematics (GM) may be substituted.

⁴ Electives should be chosen according to personal and career interests or to the requirements of the institution to which transfer is planned. It is suggested students take 3-9 credits of foreign language.

⁵ History elective should be chosen to satisfy the requirements of the institution to which transfer is planned.

⁶ A four credit Biological/Physical Science Lab (GL) course may be substituted.

Social Work Track Elective

Select one of the following courses:

Code	Title	Credits
SOC 213	Criminology (same course as CJ 213)	3
CJ 101	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
PSY 208	Alcohol/Drugs: Impact on Behavior	3
PSY 212	The Helping Relationship	3
PSY 214	Human Development Across the Life Span	3
SOC 212	Race, Class & Gender in the United States (GB)	3

General Education Degree Requirements

Note: The following codes identify courses which satisfy the General Education Degree Requirements:

Behavioral/Social Science (GB)

English Composition (GE)

Arts/Humanities (GAH)

Interdisciplinary and Emerging Issues (GI)

Biological/Physical Laboratory Science (GL)

Mathematics (GM)

Biological/Physical Science (GS)