Sociology is the scientific study of human behavior in society. It uses a variety of research and theoretical perspectives to analyze and explain human social behavior and social change. Sociology students examine a wide range of human interactions including marriage and family units, crime and deviance, culture and social change, group processes and interactions having to do with class, race and gender; diversity and globalization, social stratification and mobility and social movements. Program courses will help develop the student’s ability to examine the broader connections between personal life, public issues and social structure. Sociology provides a valuable major for a diverse range of career paths including teaching, social work, probation officer, employment counseling, urban planning and others.

Degree Options at Hartnell:

Associate in Arts in Sociology for Transfer Degree (AA-T)

Overview

Related Careers

- Social Work
- Counseling
- Case Management
- Advocacy
- Mental Health Services
- Programming Administration
- Teaching
- Research
- Public Administration
- Policy Analysis

Related Skills

- Ability to understand and improve human relationships
- Analyze, synthesize and interpret information
- Computer skills
- Critical thinking
- Interact well with diverse cultures/groups
- Interpersonal communication (oral and written)
- Insight into group dynamics
- Knowledge of social structures and change
- Research and planning
- Statistical abilities

- Program Development
- Human Services
- City Planning
- Law Enforcement
- Market Research
- Information Sourcing
- Human Resources
- Management
- Sales
- Public Relations