Sociology (508)

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS

About Our Program

This program is designed to facilitate the understanding of human behavior within the context of the greater human community. The program prepares students to select the option of transferring from Highland to a senior institution to pursue a baccalaureate degree. In addition to a general survey course about sociology, the program also offers courses covering topics such as family, social problems, social work, criminology, and anthropology.

Nature of Work and Employment

Graduates of the program may immediately seek employment in entry-level positions with social-service agencies. Those choosing to complete a baccalaureate program will acquire skills leading to careers in areas that focus on human relations, social service organizations, and the like. Social work, teaching, health care, and community work often attract sociology majors. Students may choose to pursue an advanced degree after program completion.

Special Considerations

The listed coursework is a recommendation only. Students should check with a student advisor for HCC graduation requirements and specific university requirements in this major. Students must meet with an advisor to ensure that the special requirements of the department and institution to which they plan to transfer are met. Colleges and universities have specific requirements for transfer students.

Program Contacts

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- Dr. Julie Hartman-Linck, Sociology Faculty
- Amanda Venhuizen, Student Advisor
- Jim Phillips, Dean, Humanities, Social Sciences, and Fine Arts

Recommended Courses

The following are recommended courses for this major only. Students must still meet all requirements for the Associate of Arts degree (see page 56) in order to graduate from Highland Community College. For more information, please see your student advisor.

* SOCI 171 Intro to the Principles of Sociology	
SOCI 177 Introduction to Anthropology	3
SOCI 271 Social Problems	3
SOCI 273 Social Service Field Experience	3
SOCI 274 The Family	3
CJS 201 Criminology	3
SOCI 276 Racism & Diversity in Cont. Society	3
* MATH 134 Statistics	4

* Course has a prerequisite. See course description.