

# SOCIOLOGY

Sociology is a social science involving the study of societies. Through analyses of society, its institutions, groups, processes, and social lives of people, sociologists attempt to understand and predict social interactions and change. Sociology prepares students for further study for careers in social work and counseling, social services, probation, corrections, law enforcement, research, public policy, law, education and other fields, which require an understanding of social life. The sociology program includes basic introductory courses in sociology, social problems, institutions, and social inequality. Students planning to transfer to a four-year institution and major in sociology should consult with a counselor regarding the transfer process and lower division requirements.

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- Sociology Associate in Arts for Transfer Degree (<http://catalog.valleycollege.edu/degree-certificate-program-index/sociology/sociology-aat-degree/>)

### SOC 100 3 Units

#### Introduction to Sociology

**Lecture:** 54 contact hours

**Advisory:** READ 100 or ENGL 101 or ENGL 101H

This course is an introductory study of the basic concepts, theoretical approaches, and methods of sociology. Included in this examination are the social influences on human behavior, social structure, culture, socialization and the self, group dynamics, social stratification, and global patterns, with an emphasis on social institutions.

**Associate Degree Applicable**

**Transfers to both UC/CSU**

**C-ID:** SOCI 110

### SOC 100H 3 Units

#### Introduction to Sociology - Honors

**Lecture:** 54 contact hours

**Prerequisite:** ENGL 101 or ENGL 101H

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**Associate Degree Applicable**

**Transfers to both UC/CSU**

**C-ID:** SOCI 110

### SOC 110 3 Units

#### Social Problems

**Lecture:** 54 contact hours

**Advisory:** READ 100 or ENGL 101 or ENGL 101H

This course is an examination of contemporary social issues in the United States including causes, consequences, interventions, and solutions, with an emphasis on social institutions and other topics such as crime, inequalities, substance abuse, and the role of power and ideology in the construction and definitions of social problems.

**Associate Degree Applicable**

**Transfers to both UC/CSU**

**C-ID:** SOCI 115

### SOC 110H 3 Units

#### Social Problems - Honors

**Lecture:** 54 contact hours

**Prerequisite:** ENGL 101 or ENGL 101H

This course is an examination of contemporary social issues in the United States including causes, consequences, interventions, and solutions, with an emphasis on social institutions and other topics such as crime, inequalities, substance abuse, and the role of power and ideology in the construction and definitions of social problems. This course is intended for students in the Honors Program, but is open to all students who desire more challenging work.

**Associate Degree Applicable**

**Transfers to both UC/CSU**

**C-ID:** SOCI 115

### SOC 120 3 Units

#### Health and Social Justice

**Lecture:** 54 contact hours

**Advisory:** READ 100 or ENGL 101 or ENGL 101H

This course provides an introduction to the health inequities in the United States that stem from unequal living conditions. There is an emphasis on education, socioeconomic status, racism, and gender that shape the health and illness experience and outcomes, including health epidemics, policy development, organization and access to the healthcare system. Health advocacy and social justice will be theoretically demonstrated.

**Associate Degree Applicable**

**Transfers to both UC/CSU**

**C-ID:** PHS 102

**SOC 130 3 Units**

**Family Sociology**

**Lecture:** 54 contact hours

**Advisory:** READ 100 or ENGL 101 or ENGL 101H

This course is an examination of the family as a social institution. Topics include historical and contemporary trends, social stratification, intimacy and relationships, and social forces that influence the family.

**Associate Degree Applicable**

**Transfers to both UC/CSU**

**C-ID:** SOCI 130

**SOC 135 3 Units**

**Introduction to Crime**

**Lecture:** 54 contact hours

**Advisory:** READ 100 or ENGL 101 or ENGL 101H

This course is a sociological examination of crime, criminality, and deviance in society with a focus on types of deviant and criminal behaviors, history, and patterns in the United States. Topics include sociological theories, definition and measurement of crime, cultural values and norms related to deviance, social inequality, criminal justice system, and the laws and methods used to control crime and deviance.

**Associate Degree Applicable**

**Transfers to both UC/CSU**

**C-ID:** SOCI 160

**SOC 141 3 Units**

**Race and Ethnic Relations**

**Lecture:** 54 contact hours

This course is a sociological and interdisciplinary examination of racial and ethnic groups in American society. Topics include historical and contemporary events and practices that have institutionalized racism including the social struggles of the four racialized core groups, with a focus on introductory concepts of ethnic studies, intersectionality, and anti-racist approaches toward social justice and equity. (This course is also offered as ETHS 141)

**Associate Degree Applicable**

**Transfers to both UC/CSU**

**C-ID:** SOCI 150

**SOC 141H 3 Units**

**Race and Ethnic Relations - Honors**

**Lecture:** 54 contact hours

**Prerequisite:** ENGL 101 or ENGL 101H

This course is a sociological and interdisciplinary examination of racial and ethnic groups in American society. Topics include historical and contemporary events and practices that have institutionalized racism including the social struggles of the four racialized core groups, with a focus on introductory concepts of ethnic studies, intersectionality, and anti-racist approaches toward social justice and equity. This course is intended for students in the Honors Program but is open to all students who desire more challenging course work. (This course is also offered as ETHS 141H)

**Associate Degree Applicable**

**Transfers to both UC/CSU**

**C-ID:** SOCI 150

**SOC 145 3 Units**

**Sociology of Gender**

**Lecture:** 54 contact hours

**Advisory:** READ 100 or ENGL 101 or ENGL 101H

This course is an examination of the social construction of gender, femininity, and masculinity in the United States. Topics include historical, cross-cultural, and societal forces and change that influence gender socialization, expectations, and practices with an emphasis on social institutions and some focus on global contemporary trends.

**Associate Degree Applicable**

**Transfers to both UC/CSU**

**C-ID:** SOCI 140

**SOC 150 3 Units**

**Aging and the Life Course**

**Lecture:** 54 contact hours

**Advisory:** READ 100 or ENGL 101 or ENGL 101H

This course is a sociological examination of aging and the life course with an emphasis on aging as a social process. Topics include demographic trends, historical, cross-cultural, political, and economic forces that influence the experience of aging on individuals and families throughout the lifespan, communities, and societies, with some focus on global patterns.

**Associate Degree Applicable**

**Transfers to both UC/CSU**