

SOCIOLOGY

ASSOCIATE DEGREE & CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

2023-2024 CATALOG

DESCRIPTION

Sociology is the study of human social behavior and its origins, development, organizations, and institutions. The study of human behavior in social context assists students to learn who we are, to get closer to the truth about the social world, and to become aware of ways to achieve desired social ends. Sociology and other liberal arts majors stress the ability to observe, organize and write clearly, as well as the development of skills in the analysis of data and in collaborating with others.

ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAMS

Students who complete an [Associate Degree for Transfer \(ADT\)](#) and transfer to a similar major at a CSU are guaranteed a pathway to finish their baccalaureate degrees in 60 semester or 90 quarter units. These degrees require students to meet both of the following requirements: (1) Completion of 60 semester units or 90 quarter units that are eligible for transfer to the California State University, including both of the following: (A) The Intersegmental GE Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) or the California State University GE-Breadth Requirements (CSU GE-Breadth). (B) A minimum of 18 semester units or 27 quarter units in a major or area of emphasis, as determined by the community college district. (2) Obtainment of a minimum grade point average of 2.0.

[An Associate Degree](#), depending on the focus of study, is designed to prepare students for transfer into upper division course work in a bachelor's degree program, or, to prepare students to enter the workforce in a particular vocational field. To qualify for an Associate's Degree, a student must: (1) complete each intraspecific course required for the degree with at least a "C" grade or better, (2) complete all Cuesta College general education, graduation and residency requirements, and (3) achieve an overall grade point average of 2.0 for all courses attempted (major, general education, elective).

DEGREES, CERTIFICATES & AWARDS

- Associate in Arts for Transfer (A.A.-T.)
- Associate in Arts (A.A.)

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

- Budget Analyst
- Correctional Counselor
- Criminologist
- Demographer
- Employment Counselor
- Government Research Analyst
- Industrial Sociologist
- Interviewer/Researcher
- Management Analyst
- Migration Specialist
- Parole/Probation Officer
- Population Analyst
- Public Health Statistician
- Public Opinion Analyst
- Public Relations Consultant
- Recreational Specialist
- Social Ecologist
- Social Worker
- Statistician
- Teacher
- Urban Planner
- Writer/Journalist
- Youth Counselor

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ASSOCIATE DEGREE FOR TRANSFER PROGRAM

Sociology — Associate in Arts for Transfer

The Sociology program prepares students for a major in sociology at four-year institutions. Two tracks are offered: Associate in Arts in Sociology (Sociology AA) and Associate in Arts in Sociology for Transfer (Sociology AA-T). The Sociology AA-T degree guarantees admission with junior status at a campus of the California State University (CSU) system in a similar major.

Sociology is the study of human social life focusing on the modern world. It places emphasis on the analyses of culture, social structure, and interaction processes. The Sociology program provides students with a core curriculum that will prepare them with the knowledge and skills required to succeed in the study of sociology. Students will develop skills for critical thinking, perceptive reading, and sociological analysis. A sociology background is useful for further education in the social sciences, law, education, medicine, and counseling. Career fields in which a sociology background is valuable include education (elementary to post-secondary), social services, journalism, public relations, business, and government.

Required Core (3 credits)

SOC 201A Introduction To Sociology. 3

List A: (Select SOC 202 and either MATH 236 or MATH 247; 6-7 credits)

SOC 202 Social Problems 3

MATH 236 Introduction To Applied Statistics 3

or MATH 247 . Introduction To Statistics (4)

List B: (Select two courses from the following; 6 credits)

SOC 204 Introduction To Criminology 3

SOC 206 Introduction to Race and Ethnicity 3

SOC 208 Introduction To Gender Studies 3

ASHS 214 Family, Relationships And Intimacy 3

PSYC 206 Introduction To Social Psychology 3

List C: (Select one course not selected from List B or one course from the following; 3 credits)

SOC 201B Social Institutions 3

ANTH 203 Cultural Anthropology. 3

GEOG 202 Cultural Geography 3

PSYC 201 Introductory Psychology 3

Total Credits: 18 - 19

“P” (Pass) grade is acceptable for major coursework in the Associate Degrees for Transfer. In addition to the major preparation course work listed above, completion of the CSU GE or the IGETC pattern is mandatory.

Courses completed for the major can also be double counted towards GE, where appropriate. See a counselor for details.

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TRANSFER PREPARATION

Courses that fulfill major requirements for an associate degree may differ from those needed to prepare to transfer. Students who plan to transfer to a four-year college or university should schedule an appointment with a Cuesta College counselor to develop a student education plan (SEP) before beginning their program.

TRANSFER RESOURCES:

CSU and UC Articulation Agreements and Majors Search Engine:

www.ASSIST.org

CSU System Information:

www2.calstate.edu

FINANCIAL AID

Paying for the cost of a college education requires a partnership among parents, students and the college. As the cost of higher education continues to rise we want you to know that Cuesta College offers a full array of financial aid programs—grants, work study, scholarships, federal loan programs, and fee waivers. These programs are available to both full-and part-time students who are seeking a degree or certificate. For those who qualify, financial aid is available to help with tuition, fees, books and supplies, food, housing, transportation, and childcare. Please log onto our website for additional information:

www.cuesta.edu/student/student-services/financial-aid

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Required Courses (12 credits)

SOC 201A	Introduction To Sociology	3
SOC 201B	Social Institutions	3
SOC 202	Social Problems	3
SOC 206	Introduction to Race and Ethnicity	3
or SOC 208	Introduction To Gender Studies	(3)

Plus 9-10 credits from the following:

ANTH 203	Cultural Anthropology.	3
ANTH 225	Contemporary Cultures Of The World	3
ECON 201A	Principles Of Macroeconomics	3
GEOG 202	Cultural Geography	3
POLS 204	World Politics	3
POLS 206	Comparative Government	3
HEED 203	Women's Health Issues.	3
HEED 208	Multicultural Health	3
HIST 204A	History Of Western Civilization	3
HIST 204B	History Of Western Civilization	3
HIST 207A	History Of The United States	3
HIST 207B	History Of The United States	3
HIST 210	History Of California	3
HIST 212	History Of Mexican Americans	3
HIST 233	History Of African Americans.	3
MATH 236	Introduction To Applied Statistics.	3
or MATH 247	Introduction To Statistics	(4)
PHIL 206	Introduction To Philosophy	3
PHIL 208	Introduction To Logic	3
PHIL 209	World Religions	3
PSYC 201	Introductory Psychology.	3
PSYC 206	Introduction To Social Psychology	3
SOC 204	Introduction To Criminology	3
HIST 203A	History Of World Civilizations	3
HIST 203B	History Of World Civilizations	3
HIST 237	History Of American Women.	3

Total Credits: **21 - 22**

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