

AT A GLANCE

The average class size of 22 students allows for individual attention from professors.

The Dual Admission Program reserves a seat for exceptional students in a graduate or professional school program on acceptance into the undergraduate program.

The Undergraduate Honors Program presents specially designed courses and events to students ready for more in-depth and unique learning experiences.

Students can present their academic and creative work to the public through the *Farquhar Student Journal*, *Digressions*, and the Undergraduate Student Symposium.

The Performing and Visual Arts Wing in the University Center provides an outstanding new home for the performing and visual arts in South Florida.

Travel study courses take students around the world—from Italy to the Galapagos and from Baja to Budapest—all for course credit.

Guest lecturers and faculty members share their expertise in the Distinguished Speakers Series and the Faculty Lecture Series.

B.S. in Sociology

The sociology major focuses on the study of human society and social interaction. The discipline explores the interactive dynamics of social institutions, organizations, and everyday life. It examines how we group ourselves, how we behave in groups, and how characteristics such as age, race, social class, and gender affect our relationships.

Sociologists combine humanistic and scientific perspectives to study urban and rural life, family patterns, environment, social change and movements, and many other social issues and problems.

Graduates of this major will be able to

- describe and analyze the world by identifying and/or demonstrating the linkages between individual problems and social issues, both theoretically and in practical applications
- comprehend the world beyond the single dimensionality of any cultural worldview, recognizing the value of other cultural perspectives and understanding the relationship between power and perspective
- apply a sociological perspective, built upon an understanding of basic sociological constructs and theories, to various areas of social life
- explicate the diverse ways in which sociologists gather, interpret, and evaluate data
- articulate sociologically informed opinions and arguments concerning social and behavioral phenomena, and critically read and understand sociological argument
- describe the similarities and dissimilarities of behaviors, attitudes, values, beliefs, and opinions across populations and subpopulations

These skills prepare sociology students for career opportunities in teaching, research, social service and nonprofit agencies, government, consulting, media relations, and advertising.

Course of Study

120 credits are required to graduate, including 30 credits of general education.

Major course requirements include

SOCL 1020	Introduction to Sociology
SOCL 2510	Social Problems
SOCL 3000	Research Methods in the Social Sciences
SOCL 3200	Classical Social Theory
SOCL 3400	Contemporary Social Theory

Select five of the following courses

SOCL 2100	Sociology of Sexuality
SOCL 2130	Family Relationships
SOCL 2300	Family Communication
SOCL 3110	Gender, Sexuality, and the Family
SOCL 3130	Family Systems
SOCL 3300	Gender at Work
SOCL 3500	Race and Ethnicity in the United States
SOCL 3600	Environmental Sociology
SOCL 3700	Ethnic Family Diversity
SOCL 3800	Family Life Cycle
SOCL 4000	Gay and Lesbian Cultures
SOCL 4200	Violence and the Family
SOCL 4910	Special Topics in Sociology
SOCL 4950	Internship in Sociology



Nova Southeastern University is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097, Telephone number: 404-679-4501) to award associate's, bachelor's, master's, educational specialist, and doctoral degrees. ■ Nova Southeastern University admits students of any race, color, sexual orientation, and national or ethnic origin.

Words from a Sociology Professor

"Sociology is about all of us. It is an academic discipline that examines how we interact with our societies. The classes in the sociology major examine relationships between society and family, society and religions, society and medicine, society and environment, society and politics, and many other areas. Students who enjoy the study of sociology value interdisciplinary learning and intellectual curiosity and have a desire to develop a worldview focused on the most important contemporary questions."

—Eileen Smith-Cavros, Ph.D., Associate Professor

The Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences

Majors:

- Applied Professional Studies
- Criminal Justice
- Paralegal Studies
- Psychology
- Sociology

Minors:

- Anthropology
- Counseling
- Criminal Justice
- Dispute Management and Resolution
- Family Studies
- Forensic Psychology
- Paralegal Studies
- Psychology
- Sociology
- Substance Abuse Studies

Admissions
3301 College Avenue
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33314-7796
www.nova.edu/admissions
(954) 262-8000 • 800-338-4723
admissions@nsu.nova.edu

Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences
www.undergrad.nova.edu/sbs
(954) 262-7941 • 800-757-7257

09-1726-08RJ.C