

SOCIOLOGY

From Study to Skills

The Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Criminal justice provides students with a foundation in the theory and methods used to understand society, culture, or crime. Rutgers-Camden offers majors in sociology, criminal justice or a dual major in sociology & criminal justice, as well as minors in sociology or anthropology.

Sociology majors find employment opportunities in a wide variety of areas including government, business, law, politics, social service, and education. Opportunities also exist at the managerial level in county, state, and federal agencies and with research centers. Students are also prepared to pursue graduate coursework in law, public policy, or political science.

Related Fields: Business, Education, Law, Human Resource Management, Religion, Philosophy, Psychology, Public Administration, Social Work

Skills and Abilities

Analytical Skills- Students will gain global perspective, business sense, and critical thinking skills. They will also learn computer literacy; address social problems; understand diversity, social structure, and race relations; study urban sociology; and analyze interactions of groups and societies and social data.

Research Skills- Students will learn qualitative and quantitative research methods, recognize patterns and trends, produce social statistics, learn research design, and utilize statistics for various applications

Communication Skills- Students will develop interpersonal skills, leadership skills, verbal and written communication skills, and the ability to work cooperatively and to convey ideas through presentations.

Internships

Rutgers-Camden Sociology students have interned with the following employers:

Bancroft	Cooper University Hospital
Bureau of Alcohol, Firearms and Explosives/US Department of Justice	Department of Children & Families / DYFS
Big Brothers Big Sisters	Department of Justice Federal Bureau of Prisons
Camden Coalition of Healthcare Providers	Education Works
Camden County Fire Marshall	Gloucester Twp. Police Department
Camden County Office of the Public Defender	Helen Fort Middle School
Camden County Probation Office	Juvenile Justice Commission
Camden County Prosecutor's Office	New Jersey State Police
Camden County Partnership for Children	Parents Anonymous
Catholic Charities, Refugee & Immigration Services	Philadelphia Corporation for Aging
Center for Family Services	The Children's Home of Burlington County
CFG Health Network	University of Pennsylvania Museum of Archaeology & Anthropology
Community Planning and Placement	U.S. Department Of Labor

What Careers are Available for Sociology Majors

The following are samples of first jobs of Sociology majors:

Academic Advisor, ASPIRA Inc. of NJ

Case Manager, Volunteers of America

Clerk, State of New Jersey

Documentation Specialist, Multi Fruit USA

Human Resources Specialist, Bancroft Neurohealth

Human Service Specialist, Camden County Board of Social Services

Investigator, Department of Labor

Substance Abuse Counselor, Sodat of NJ

Therapeutic Staff Support, New Hope of PA

Third Grade Teacher, Barrington Board of Education

Graduate School Options

Many sociology majors choose to go directly into the workplace after graduation while others decide to pursue a graduate degree. Rutgers-Camden sociology majors have earned Master's and Doctorate level degrees in Education, Law, Human Resource Management, Public Administration, Psychology, Social Work, and Sociology.

Resources

Consider joining a professional organization such as:

American Sociological Association

www.asanet.org

American Anthropological Association

www.aaanet.org

Society for Applied Anthropology

www.sfaa.net

National Association of Social Workers

www.socialworkers.org

American Society for Public Administration

www.aspanet.org

Join a student organization such as the Criminal Justice Organization, Public Administration Student Association, Undergraduate Social Work Organization or Student Government Association.

Assist a faculty member with their research

Visit RaptorLink for internship opportunities in your field of interest

Connect with professionals in fields that interest you on LinkedIn

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