

Sociology and Criminology

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Undergraduate majors: criminology, law and justice (B.A., B.S.); sociology (B.A., B.S.)

Undergraduate minors: criminology, law and justice; sociology

Graduate degrees: M.A. in sociology; Ph.D. in sociology

Faculty: <https://clas.uiowa.edu/sociology/people>

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The Department of Sociology and Criminology offers undergraduate majors and minors as well as graduate degree programs. The department partners with the Departments of Economics, Philosophy, and Political Science to offer the undergraduate major in ethics and public policy, an interdisciplinary program administered by the Department of Philosophy; see Ethics and Public Policy in the Catalog. In addition, it offers courses that undergraduate students in all majors may use to fulfill GE CLAS Core requirements, and a sociology and a criminology, law and justice First-Year Seminar designed for entering undergraduate students.

Certificate

Social Science Analytics

The growth of big data and informatics calls for a new set of skills for social science students and an increased understanding of the logic of data collection and analysis. The certificate focuses on the application side of data analysis and allows focus to be on the specific research methods and quantitative skills using data-driven methods effective for more understanding in an increasingly complicated social-political world. The certificate offers an opportunity for interdisciplinary training on how data can be used to address important questions in the social sciences. The Department of Sociology and Criminology collaborates with the Departments of Geographical and Sustainability Sciences, Political Science, and Statistics and Actuarial Science to offer the undergraduate program in social science analytics; see the Certificate in Social Science Analytics in the Catalog.