



Faculty of Arts

Sociology at Melbourne

Why study Sociology?

UNDERSTAND YOUR SOCIAL WORLD

In a Sociology major, you'll be studying pressing social issues such as inequality and disadvantage within and across generations, in Australia and around the globe, with a view to informing and shaping public policies in the future that reduce social disadvantage and improve people's everyday life.

You'll explore a broad range of subjects from family, gender relations, sexual identity and the body, to ethnicity and racialised groups, social movements, the sociology of youth, ageing, media, new technologies, globalisation and the changing nature of work. You can even apply to undertake a sociology internship at a range of organisations outside the University, such as social service providers, government organisations, NGOs, and trade unions, and connect more closely with social problems that play out at a local level.

WHERE CAN A SOCIOLOGY MAJOR TAKE YOU?

You could become a sociologist, working to understand human relationships in varying contexts and improve communities. You could also work on a government level in public policy development, where you'll research and analyse the roots of social issues and advise on ways to alleviate them. With your analytical and communications skills, you could also go into market and applied social research, international development, social work, and academia.

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“Studying research and project development subjects has given me the confidence and practical skills to work and volunteer in the community sector while studying. This has included community mental health services, helping to write policy for an LGBTIQ+ organisation, and using the evaluation skills learnt during the core subjects of sociology to write international reports around mental health training for educators.”

Amelia Walters