Bachelor of Arts (Major: Sociology)
School of Arts & Sciences, Sydney Campus

The relationship between the individual and society is a complex and constantly shifting one. As a student of Sociology you will examine contemporary issues facing society through a social and historical lens and question common-sense assumptions which are taken for granted. Over the course of your degree you will also gain the tools you need to tackle a host of social problems such as inequality and social exclusion and skills to investigate and understand social issues.

Why study this degree?
Sociology explores how social relationships and structures shape our everyday lives and enables you to see the world through various sociological perspectives. Here at The University of Notre Dame Australia, our Bachelor of Arts with a Major in Sociology is a three-year, full-time degree. In this program, you will look at issues, such as
the sociology of childhood, gender, the impact of ability through disability studies, public and social policy and genocide.

The study of sociology offers graduates a systematic framework from which to examine a wide range of issues facing contemporary society, inform professional practice and make a contribution to society. It also offers you practical tools to research social issues.

With skills in inquiry, analysis and research, Sociology graduates can undertake careers as practitioners within community, government and non-government agencies in roles focusing on social and consumer research, social and public policy, social welfare, advocacy, policy, education, public relations, public service and journalism and the media.

Program summary
Core Curriculum

- CORE1001 Logos I
- CORE1002 Logos II
- CORE1003 Logos III

Compulsory courses

- SOCI1000 Self and Society Self and Society
- SOCI1020 Social Problems and Solutions
- RSCH2030 Research Methods
- SOCI3010 Sociological Theory and Method OR SOCI3008 Sociology Internship

Plus THREE (3) courses to be chosen from the following:
- ABOR1000 Aboriginal People
- SOCI3000 Ableism, (Dis)ability and Society
- SOCI2020 Sociology of Childhood
- SOCI3060 Public and Social Policy
- POLI3012 The Politics and History of Genocide
- SOCI2040 Understanding Gender
- SOJS2000 Understanding Social Change

**Plus 13 electives which may form another Major or Minor (undertaken during Years One, Two and/or Three).**

Full details of the program requirements are contained in the [Program Regulations](https://www.notredame.edu.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0023/3840483/Program-Regulations.pdf).

*Please note: The availability of these courses is indicative only and may be subject to change.*

**Study Abroad**

You will have the opportunity to complete part of your degree at one of our partner institutions through our exchange program. Get in touch with the [Study Abroad Office](https://www.notredame.edu.au/international/study-abroad) to find out more about studying in Asia, Europe and North America.

**Real-world experience**

You will learn from academics who are industry leaders and, through our practicum placements and internship
programs, you will gain real professional experience and make valuable contacts with potential employers.

**Entry requirements**

Academic requirements for this program are outlined below. In addition, to be eligible for admission, all applicants need to satisfy minimum requirements outlined at admission requirements (https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/admission-requirements). These include those relating to age and English Language Proficiency (https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/admission-requirements/english-language-proficiency-requirements). We also consider your application more broadly – your non-academic achievements (such as any previous leadership roles, volunteering, work, church and/or community involvement) as well as personal qualities - your aspirations and interests and your capacity to complete your chosen program.

**Applicants with recent Secondary Education**

- HSC Performance Band Results with a Band 4 in English, a minimum average of Bands 4s and an overall minimum average HSC mark of 70% in HSC Category A Courses (or Interstate equivalent). Applicants must be eligible for an ATAR or OP; or
- Minimum International Baccalaureate (IB) score of 24.

**Applicants with Higher Education Study**

- Other University Studies completed at undergraduate level or higher. A minimum number of 2 successfully completed subjects; or
Successful completion of the Notre Dame Tertiary Pathway Program or of another Enabling Program at a level deemed sufficient by the University.

Applicants who have successfully completed subjects at another University, which are relevant to the selected program of study, may be eligible for Advanced Standing (https://www.notredame.edu.au/current-students/your-enrolment/admin-and-fees/sydney/advanced-standing).

**Applicants with Vocational Education and Training (VET) study**

- Completed AQF Certificate IV or higher in a relevant discipline, from an accredited provider such as TAFE or a Registered Training Organisation (RTO)

**Applicants with Work and Life Experience**

Applicants with relevant work and life experience who left secondary education more than two years ago and have not undertaken VET or higher education study since then may seek admission on the basis of:

- Their experience. ‘Experience’ could include a combination of factors sufficient to demonstrate readiness for higher education such as Mature Age entry, relevant professional experience, community involvement or work experience.
  Applicants may have undertaken non-formal programs that have helped prepare them for tertiary education or are relevant to the proposed higher education field of study. Evidence must be provided as to the type and duration or employment (minimum of two years) in a relevant industry. The Special Tertiary Admissions Test
(STAT) may be required.

- **STAT** – Scores of 150 in the Multiple Choice and Written English sections are required.
- Higher School Certificate (HSC) (or equivalent) results if these have been completed within the last 5 years.

**Fees**

This Program has the following loan scheme(s) available for eligible students:

**FEE-HELP**

The FEE-HELP loan scheme assists eligible fee-paying students with the payment of all, or part, of their tuition fees, not including additional study costs such as accommodation or textbooks. Your FEE-HELP debt will be indexed each year in line with the Consumer Price Index. Please note, from 1 January 2019, students studying an undergraduate program at the University of Notre Dame will no longer be charged the 25% FEE-HELP loan fee.

For further information, or for indicative fees for domestic or international students, please visit our Fees page (https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/fees).

**Honours**

An Honours award is available for this program. Further information can be found in the Bachelor of Arts (Honours) regulations (https://www.notredame.edu.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0024/384-of-Arts-Honours.pdf), or by contacting the School of Arts &
Sciences

Career opportunities
The following careers are open to graduates of this program:

- Social and consumer research
- Social and public policy
- Social welfare
- Advocacy
- Policy
- Education
- Public relations
- Journalism and the media
- Public service

More information
For more information on the Bachelor of Arts (Major: Sociology), please contact the Prospective Students Office on +61 (2) 8204 4404 or email sydney@nd.edu.au (mailto:sydney@nd.edu.au).

All international enquiries should contact the International Students Office on international@nd.edu.au (mailto:international@nd.edu.au).

Need help? Ask Notre Dame
Duration: 3 years full-time or equivalent part-time
Campus: Sydney
Practical Component: 80 hours
Loan Scheme: FEE-HELP
Study mode: On campus
Code: Program Code 3009, CRICOS Code 015324A
Commencement: Semester 1 or Semester 2