Bachelor of Arts
Sociology with a Major in Social Welfare (BA)

Requirements

Lower-Division General Education

Written Communication (http://catalog.odu.edu/undergraduate/requirements-undergraduate-degrees/#written) 6
Oral Communication (http://catalog.odu.edu/undergraduate/requirements-undergraduate-degrees/#oral) 3
Mathematics (http://catalog.odu.edu/undergraduate/requirements-undergraduate-degrees/#math) 3
Language and Culture (http://catalog.odu.edu/undergraduate/requirements-undergraduate-degrees/#language) 0-6
Information Literacy and Research (http://catalog.odu.edu/undergraduate/requirements-undergraduate-degrees/#information) 3
Human Behavior (http://catalog.odu.edu/undergraduate/requirements-undergraduate-degrees/#behavior) 3
Human Creativity (http://catalog.odu.edu/undergraduate/requirements-undergraduate-degrees/#creativity) 3
Interpreting the Past (http://catalog.odu.edu/undergraduate/requirements-undergraduate-degrees/#interpret) 3
Literature (http://catalog.odu.edu/undergraduate/requirements-undergraduate-degrees/#literature) 3
Philosophy and Ethics (http://catalog.odu.edu/undergraduate/requirements-undergraduate-degrees/#philosophy) 3
The Nature of Science (http://catalog.odu.edu/undergraduate/requirements-undergraduate-degrees/#nature) 8
Impact of Technology (http://catalog.odu.edu/undergraduate/requirements-undergraduate-degrees/#impact) 3
Written Communication: Grade of C or better required in both courses and in ENGL 110C before declaring major.

STAT 130M is required for Mathematics

Language and Culture: BS students’ competence must be at the 102 level; BA students must have competence through the 202 level and BA competency is not met by the associate degree.

Human Behavior: SOC 201S cannot be used to satisfy this requirement.

Upper-Division General Education

• Option A. Approved Minor, 12-24 hours; also second degree or second major.
• Option B. Interdisciplinary Minor, 12 hours specified by the department, 3 of which may be in the major area of study.
• Option C. An approved certification program such as teaching licensure.
• Option D. Two Upper-Division Courses from outside the College of Arts and Letters or from the Arts and Humanities Component within the College of Arts and Letters that are not required by the major (6 hours).

Requirements for Graduation

Requirements for graduation include the following:

• Minimum of 120 credit hours.
• Minimum of 30 credit hours overall and 12 credit hours of upper-level courses in the major program from Old Dominion University.
• Minimum overall cumulative grade point average of C (2.00) in all courses taken.
• Minimum overall cumulative grade point average of C (2.00) in all courses taken toward the major.

Sociology Core

BA students must complete three credits from the Human Behavior Way of Knowing category in addition to the general education course selected, and BS students must complete an additional six credits.

Human Behavior Way of Knowing Coursework 3-6

Foundation Courses

SOC 201S Introduction to Sociology 3
SOC 337 Social Research Methods 3
SOC 409W Sociological Theory 3
SOC 436 Capstone Research Project 3

Total Credit Hours 15-18

1 Must be completed with a C or better

Social Welfare Major

General Education

Complete lower-division requirements 41-47
Complete upper-division requirements (minimum of 6 credit hours) 6
Complete foreign language coursework through the 202 level 0-6

Sociology Core

Complete sociology core 15

Social Welfare

SOC 320 Social Inequality 3
SOC 325 Social Welfare 3
SOC 402 Sociology of Child Welfare 3
Five SOC 300-400 Level Electives 1 15

Total Credit Hours 86-98

1 See course descriptions for choices.

Electives

Elective courses may be taken for the remainder of the minimum 120 credits required for the degree.

Double Major in Sociology and Human Services

The Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice and the Department of Counseling and Human Services have created an opportunity for undergraduate students to major in both sociology and human services. Combining interest areas between two majors allows more versatility for students’ future through enhanced opportunities to pursue graduate school and strengthening employability. Both majors can be earned within the 120 credit hours required for an undergraduate degree. Within this double major, students have an opportunity to pursue a certificate in addiction prevention and treatment. Students who select the addiction prevention and treatment option will graduate with a certificate in addiction prevention and treatment.

Students interested in the double major option should contact the Chief Departmental Advisor.

Double Major or Major and Minor in Criminal Justice and Sociology

Students double majoring in criminal justice and sociology (or vice versa) may use a maximum of five cross-listed courses for both majors.

1 Sociology with a Major in Social Welfare (BA)
with a major in criminal justice and a minor in sociology (or vice versa) cannot use any cross-listed course to meet requirements for both the major and minor.

**Degree Program Guide**

The Degree Program Guide is a suggested curriculum to complete this degree program in four years. It is just one of several plans that will work and is presented only as broad guidance to students. Each student is strongly encouraged to develop a customized plan in consultation with their academic advisor. Additional information can also be found in Degree Works.

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| **Credit Hours** | **15** | |

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### BA or BS to MBA (Master of Business Administration) Linked Program

The linked BA/MBA or BS/MBA program is an early entry to the MBA program of study. The early-entry program is designed for well qualified non-business undergraduate ODU students to start their MBA program prior to completing their undergraduate degree. Well qualified non-business undergraduate students may take MBA-level courses as early as three semesters prior to graduation and count up to 12 graduate credits toward their undergraduate degree. Students participating in the early-entry program must earn a minimum of 150 credit hours (120 discrete credit hours for the undergraduate degree and 30 discrete credit hours for the graduate degree). Early-entry program students should carefully consider their undergraduate degree program requirements when planning their course of study. Students in the early-entry program work in close consultation with the MBA Program Office and should refer to information in the Strome College of Business section in the graduate catalog (http://catalog.odu.edu/graduate/stromecollegeofbusiness/) to develop an individualized plan of study based on the required coursework.

### BA or BS to MPA (Master of Public Administration) Linked Program

The linked BA/MPA or BS/MPA program provides qualified Old Dominion University undergraduate students with the opportunity to earn a master’s degree in public administration while taking credits in the MPA program as an undergraduate student. The program is designed for highly motivated students with the desire to immediately continue their education after the bachelor's degree. The program is especially relevant to individuals seeking to work (or currently working) in the public or non-profit sectors, but is suitable for students from any undergraduate major. Graduate courses may be taken during the fall and spring semester of the student's senior undergraduate year. Up to 12 graduate credits can count toward both the undergraduate and graduate degree and can meet upper-level General Education requirements. After receiving the undergraduate degree, a student will continue with the MPA program, taking MPA courses until completing the required 39 credit hours. Students in the linked program must earn a minimum of 150 credit hours (120 discrete credit hours for the undergraduate degree and 30 discrete credit hours for the graduate degree).

Requirements for admission to the graduate program can be found in the School of Public Service section of the Graduate Catalog (http://catalog.odu.edu/graduate/business/public-service/). For additional information, please contact the School of Public Service in the Strome College of Business.