As a broad discipline, Sociology has something to offer everyone. The content of what we cover in our courses includes the study of a vast array of topics, including: the development of social selves, deviant subcultures, cults, panics, rumors, organizations, social and economic inequality, globalization, states, and global political economy. Running through all of what we do is the analysis of social structure (micro, meso, and macro levels) and the interplay between self and society.

Why UMD

• Our program’s curriculum stresses both theory and method, and offers elective credits in key areas within the discipline - e.g., social organization, social psychology, social movements, inequality.
• Students gain substantive knowledge in key areas as well as practical skills in the realm of data analysis.
• Our Department is home to a number of related disciplines - Sociology, Criminology, Anthropology, and Women/Gender/Sexuality Studies.

Acquired Skills

Students in our Sociology program acquire:

• analytical skills
• methodological skills
• professional skills

Student Clubs

Sociology Club and Minnesota Public Research Interest Group (MPIRG)

What you can do with this degree?

The courses offered in our Sociology program provide a solid foundation for work in an array of different organizations. Students with Sociology minors go on to work in both private and public spheres, for profit businesses as well as not for profit agencies, and non-governmental organizations.