

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREE (AA)

The Associate of Arts Degree with an Emphasis in Sociology will prepare students to apply to an undergraduate program in sociology. In addition, students who plan to pursue a career will have basic skills in critical thinking, writing, and oral communication.

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES - Graduates of this program will have the opportunity to:

- Demonstrate an ability to express the contribution of sociology to understanding social reality at both the micro and macro level of analysis.
- Demonstrate an ability to apply the major theoretical orientations in sociology — functionalism, conflict, and symbolic interactionism — to the analysis of social structure and human behavior.
- Demonstrate knowledge of social science research methods, data interpretation, and various ethical issues related to the research process.
- Demonstrate an ability to define and illustrate the following sociological concepts: culture, social structure, social inequality, and cultural diversity.
- Apply at least three sociological tools/concepts/principles towards improvement of life for themselves and/or others.

Courses with “H” suffixes are designated Honors level courses and can be used to fulfill equivalent general education requirements.

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (35 Credits):

	CR	SEMESTER
ENGLISH: ENG 100 or 101 or 113 and 102 or 114	6-8	_____
LITERATURE: ENG 223 or above	3	_____
FINE ARTS: ART, DAN 101, Music, THTR	3	_____
HUMANITIES: COM 101 and ENG 223 or above, HIST, International Languages 111 or above, PHIL	6	_____
ANALYTICAL THINKING: PHIL 102	3	_____
MATHEMATICS: MATH 120, 124 or above	3	_____
LIFE AND PHYSICAL SCIENCES: (Two courses from the following, one must include a lab): AST, BIOL, CHEM 105 or above, ENV, GEOG 103, 104, 117, GEOL, PHYS	7	_____
U.S. AND NEVADA CONSTITUTIONS: PSC 101 or HIST 101 and HIST 102 or HIST 101 and HIST 217	4-6	_____

SPECIAL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS (25 Credits):

	CR	SEMESTER
SOCIAL SCIENCES: (Six credits must be from two different disciplines): ANTH, CRJ 104, ECON, PSC, PSY, WMST 113	6	_____
SOC 101 Principles of Sociology	3	_____
SOC 102 Contemporary Social Issues	3	_____
SOC 240 Social Science Research Methods	3	_____
SOC 275 Introduction to Marriage and the Family	3	_____
SOC 299 Capstone Course in Sociology	1	_____
Plus 3 credits from the following:		
SOC 205 Ethnic Groups in Contemporary Societies	3	_____
SOC 210 Introduction to Statistical Methods	4	_____
SOC 225 Media and Society	3	_____
SOC 261 Introduction to Social Psychology	3	_____
SOC 270 Introduction to Deviant Behavior	3	_____
SOC 276 Aging in Modern Society	3	_____
SOC 298 Selected Topics in Sociology	3	_____
Plus 3 credits from the following:		
COM 102 Introduction to Interpersonal Communication	3	_____
HIST 107 Women in American History	3	_____
HIST 280 History of American Immigration	3	_____
IS 101 Introduction to Information Systems	3	_____
MGT 201 Principles of Management	3	_____
PHIL 207 Social and Political Philosophy	3	_____

SOC-AA **60** Total Credits

Students may elect to graduate using the degree requirements in effect at the time of matriculation, or when they declared or changed major or the current catalog. If a program is official after a student has matriculated, the student may choose the degree requirements of the new program. In no case may a student use a catalog which is more than six years old at the time of graduation.

**Guided Pathway
Associate of Arts (AA) Sociology Emphasis
Total Credits – 60**

First Semester	Required Credit Hours	Course Choice	Credits
English ENG 100, 101 or 113	3		
Humanities COM 101	3		
Mathematics MATH 120, 124 or above	3		
Sociology SOC 101	3		
Social Sciences Elective	3		
TOTAL RECOMMENDED CREDITS	15		
TOTAL SEMESTER CREDITS			
Second Semester	Required Credit Hours	Course Choice	Credits
English ENG 102 or 114	3		
Life and Physical Sciences Elective	3		
Fine Arts ART, Dan 101, Music, THTR	3		
Social Sciences Elective	3		
Sociology SOC 102	3		
TOTAL RECOMMENDED CREDITS	15		
TOTAL SEMESTER CREDITS			
Third Semester	Required Credit Hours	Course Choice	Credits
US/Nevada Constitution PSC 101 or HIST 101	4		
Humanities Elective	3		
Sociology SOC 240	3		
Sociology Elective	3		
Sociology SOC 275	3		
TOTAL RECOMMENDED CREDITS	16		
TOTAL SEMESTER CREDITS			
Fourth Semester	Required Credit Hours	Course Choice	Credits
Literature ENG 223 or above	3		
Analytical Thinking PHIL 102	3		
Life and Physical Sciences Elective	4		
Sociology SOC 299	1		
Sociology Elective	3		
TOTAL RECOMMENDED CREDITS	14		
Degree TOTAL	60		
TOTAL SEMESTER CREDITS			
TOTAL CREDITS			