

# GENERAL STUDIES WITH EMPHASIS IN SOCIOLOGY - ASSOCIATE IN ARTS

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The Associate of Arts Degree in General Studies with Emphasis in Sociology is designed to provide students with an opportunity to study a broad range of topics within Sociology and related courses. Issues of Diversity, Equity, and Social Justice are core to this area of emphasis. Students enrolled in Sociology courses are introduced to important and complex sociological issues impacting U.S. and global societies. The importance of effective communication and collaboration with individuals from diverse backgrounds is emphasized. Topics addressed in courses within the A.A. Degree may include the following: the role and impact of social institutions in U.S. society, race relations, social stratification, and social class. Also introduced are the three major theoretical perspectives, applied in Sociology, including functionalism, conflict, and symbolic interaction. Students utilize these theoretical perspectives to analyze various topics. Students wishing to earn an Associate of Arts Degree in General Studies with Emphasis in Sociology must complete each required area of emphasis course with a grade of "C" or better.

## Program Learning Outcomes

- Demonstrate both written and verbal proficiency critical in the field of Sociology.
- Demonstrate the ability to differentiate between methodologies, develop proficiency in describing the three major theoretical perspectives, and analyze and evaluate data in Sociological research.
- Demonstrate effective communication, and collaboration, with individuals from diverse backgrounds and to recognize and apply sociological concepts to personal experiences and observations.

## Area of Emphasis Requirements

Course	Title	Units
ETH 010	Introduction to Ethnic Studies	3
MATH 063	Elementary Statistics	3
SOC 010	Introduction to Sociology	3
SOC 011	Social Problems	3
<i>Select two courses from the following:</i>		6
ETH 020	African American Culture	
ETH 030	Chicana/o Culture	
ETH 040	Vietnamese American Culture and Experience	
ETH 042	Asian American Experience	

<b>Electives</b>	<b>3</b>
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Recommended Work Experience 088

## Total Requirements

Course	Title	Units
Major area of Emphasis Requirements		18
Electives		3
General Education Requirements		39
<b>Total Units</b>		<b>60</b>