

# JOINT HONOURS BA IN COMMUNICATION AND SOCIOLOGY

## Communication

Ours is the communication and information age. Analyzing how information is gathered, produced and distributed today helps us understand the communication processes that drive a variety of settings: social, cultural, political, organizational, economic and legal. In this program, you will develop critical and analytical skills in order to evaluate the nature and impact of technology and media on society, organizations and interpersonal relations. You will have the opportunity to be exposed to the latest developments in the field of communication (communication strategies, digital media, evolution of the media industry, advertising, crisis communications, negotiations, etc.). The Department of Communication offers courses in two main areas: media studies and organizational communication (internal and external communication in public and private organizations, health communication, organizational change, etc.). Combining theory and practice, our programs develop your critical and analytical skills and prepare you either for a professional career or for advanced studies.

Learn more about the Communication program (<https://www.uottawa.ca/faculty-arts/communication/undergraduate/communication/>)

## Sociology

Sociology involves the study of societies, specifically their institutions, cultures, and transformations. Sociologists seek to uncover the processes, rules, and norms that govern social relations. They seek to understand issues such as the origins and consequences of social inequalities and collective behaviours. In our programs, students have the opportunity to apply theoretical approaches to real-world cases and learn how to use research tools such as interviewing, discourse analysis, surveys, and statistical analyses. The connection between theory and research enables students to understand a range of contemporary social issues, such as poverty, ethnic relations, deviance, gender relations, international development, power, and technology.

This program is offered in English and in French.

Learn more about the Sociology program (<https://www.uottawa.ca/faculty-social-sciences/sociological-anthropological-studies/undergraduate/sociology-programs/>)

## Program Requirements

Co-operative education is available with this program.

The French immersion stream is available with this program.

Requirements for this program have been modified. Please consult the 2024-2025 calendars (<http://catalogue.uottawa.ca/en/archives/>) for the previous requirements.

### Basic Skills

ENG 1100	Workshop in Essay Writing	3 Units
3 course units from:		3 Units
PHI 1101	Reasoning and Critical Thinking	
PHI 1301	Philosophy: Ideas and Arguments	

3 course units from:		3 Units
AHL 1100	Introduction to Interdisciplinary Study in the Arts <sup>1</sup>	

AHL 1900	Introduction to Interdisciplinary Study in the Arts <sup>1</sup>	
ENG 1120	Selected Topics in Literature and Composition	

3 course units from:		3 Units
AHL 1100	Introduction to Interdisciplinary Study in the Arts <sup>1</sup>	

AHL 1900	Introduction to Interdisciplinary Study in the Arts <sup>1</sup>	
PHI 1102	Moral Reasoning	

PHI 1103	Fundamental Philosophical Questions	
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PHI 1104	Great Philosophers	
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PHI 1302	Philosophy: Themes and Texts	
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<b>Total:</b>		<b>12 Units</b>
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### Methodology (15 course units)

SOC 3315	Qualitative Analysis	3 Units
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SOC 3316	Statistical Analysis in Sociology	3 Units
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3 course units from:		3 Units
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CMN 2101	Research Methods in Communication	
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SOC 1301	Building Sociological Reasoning	
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3 course units from:		3 Units
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CMN 3102	Quantitative Methods	
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SOC 2316	Survey Design and Quantitative Data Acquisition	
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3 course units from:		3 Units
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CMN 3103	Qualitative Methods	
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SOC 2315	Introduction to Qualitative Methodology	
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### Communication (39 course units)

#### Compulsory courses

CMN 1148	Introduction to Organizational Communication	3 Units
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CMN 1160	Introduction to Media Studies	3 Units
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CMN 2148	Organizational Communication	3 Units
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CMN 2160	Theories of the Media	3 Units
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CMN 3105	Media Ethics	3 Units
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CMN 3109	Advanced Theories of Communication	3 Units
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CMN 3130	Communication Planning	3 Units
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#### Optional courses

3 course units from:		3 Units
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CMN 4105	Ethics and Information Society	
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CMN 4148	Communication in Governmental Organizations	
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CMN 4168	Communication and International Development	
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CMN 4185	Political Economy of the Media	
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6 optional course units in communication (CMN)	6 Units
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9 optional course units in communication (CMN) at the 4000 level	9 Units
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### Sociology (33 course units)

#### Compulsory courses - Theory

This is a copy of the 2026-2027 catalog.

SOC 1104	Sociology: Big Questions	3 Units
SOC 2117	Sociological Theory: From 19th Century to First World War	3 Units
SOC 2118	Sociological Theory: Mid-20th Century	3 Units
SOC 4119	Theorizing in Sociology	3 Units
<b>Optional courses</b>		
3 course units from :		3 Units
SOC 3120	Sociological Theory: Power and Inequalities	
SOC 3121	Sociological Theory: Meaning and Subjectivity	
SOC 3122	Sociological Theory: Reproduction and Changes	
6 optional course units in sociology (SOC) at level 2000		6 Units
3 optional course units in sociology (SOC) at level 3000		3 Units
9 optional course units in sociology (SOC) at level 4000		9 Units
<b>Total:</b>		<b>87 Units</b>
<b>Elective Courses</b> <sup>2</sup>		
21 elective course units		21 Units
<b>Total:</b>		<b>21 Units</b>

Note(s)

<sup>1</sup> This course has variable topics. Students may take this course twice.

<sup>2</sup> The electives may be replaced by a combination of Option(s) ([http://catalogue.uottawa.ca/en/programs/#filter=filter\\_19&filter\\_170&filter\\_27](http://catalogue.uottawa.ca/en/programs/#filter=filter_19&filter_170&filter_27)), and/or elective units.