

JOINT HONOURS BSOCSC 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
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ENG 1120	Selected Topics in Literature and Composition	3 Units
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Total: **6 Units**

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**

CMN 2101 Research Methods in Communication

SOC 1301 Building Sociological Reasoning

3 course units from: **3 Units**

CMN 3102 Quantitative Methods

SOC 2316 Survey Design and Quantitative Data Acquisition

3 course units from: **3 Units**

CMN 3103 Qualitative Methods

SOC 2315 Introduction to Qualitative Methodology

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**

CMN 4105 Ethics and Information Society

CMN 4148 Communication in Governmental Organizations

CMN 4168 Communication and International Development

CMN 4185 Political Economy of the Media

6 optional course units in communication (CMN) **6 Units**

9 optional course units in communication (CMN) at the 4000 level **9 Units**

Sociology (33 course units)

Compulsory courses - Theory

SOC 1104	Sociology: Big Questions	3 Units
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SOC 2117	Sociological Theory: From 19th Century to First World War	3 Units
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SOC 2118	Sociological Theory: Mid-20th Century	3 Units
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SOC 4119	Theorizing in Sociology	3 Units
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Optional courses

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**

This is a copy of the 2026-2027 catalog.

9 optional course units in sociology (SOC) at level 4000	9 Units
Total:	87 Units

Elective Courses

27 elective course units	27 Units
Total:	27 Units