

# SOCIOLOGY

## A Perfect Pairing for Degrees & Careers in Legal Studies



Department of Sociology  
COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES  
UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO DENVER

Sociology provides a strong foundation for future careers in the legal profession and pre-law studies at the undergraduate level. The sociological focus on human interaction, social groups, deviance, crime, and societal institutions like the law provide invaluable skills and knowledge for future legal professionals.

- Sociology supplies students with awareness of social constructions of law and legality in the context of the relationship between culture, society and the law.
- Sociology trains students in research methodologies that can be applied to assess social trends and their effects, including efforts at legal change/reform.
- Sociology equips students to understand and analyze critical elements of the law, including the role of legal professionals and the operation of social control mechanisms and their effects on societal inequalities.

### Sociology courses at CU-Denver of interest to future legal professionals:

**SOCY 1001 – Understanding the Social World**

SOCY 2001 – Inequalities in the Social World

**SOCY 2440 – Deviance and Social Control**

SOCY 2462 – Introduction to Social Psychology

SOCY 3001 – Urban Sociology

SOCY 3020 – Race and Ethnicity in the U.S.

SOCY 3040 – Drugs, Alcohol & Society

SOCY 3080 – Sex and Gender

SOCY 3115 – Quantitative Methods & Analysis

SOCY 3119 – Qualitative Methods

SOCY 3300 – Social Problems

**SOCY 3490 – Criminology**

SOCY 4020 – Race, Culture and Immigration

**SOCY 4340 – Juvenile Delinquency**

SOCY 4440 – Poverty and Social Inequality

**SOCY 4700 – Sociology of Law**

SOCY 4780 – Violence in Relationships

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