



Degree Guide:

Sociology Emphasis, Associate in Arts Direct Transfer Agreement (AA-DTA)

Program

[Sociology \(SOC/SOC&\)](#)

Degree Type

AA-DTA

Overview

Complete your Associate in Arts Degree, Direct Transfer Agreement (AA-DTA) while exploring sociology. Sociology is the study of society, human social relationships, and institutions. Sociologists consider diverse subject matters ranging from crime to religion and from family to the state. They study how race, class, gender, and other factors shape outcomes. Sociology offers opportunities for students interested in a variety of career paths, especially those that seek to understand how social forces shape human behavior.

Sample Career Options

- Data or policy analyst
- Law enforcement
- Market researcher
- Non-profit leadership
- Social worker/case manager

Transfer and Degree Requirements

Students working toward their transfer degree typically take a variety of courses designed to fulfill the general requirements of most four-year colleges and universities. Students intending to transfer to a four-year college for further study are encouraged to work closely with their advisor and transfer institution to explore the requirements of the college they wish to attend after Peninsula. Most institutions have separate admission criteria, which may be based on grades, prerequisite coursework, test scores, and other considerations. Our sample schedule is designed to provide you with faculty recommended courses to complete your AA-DTA degree with an emphasis in sociology, but is not a major ready pathway.

[Transfer Institution Information](#)

Students must select credits from three [distribution lists](#): Natural Sciences, Social Sciences, and Humanities. A specific course may be credited toward no more than one distribution requirement. A minimum of fifteen credits in two separate subject areas must be selected from each list. For Natural Sciences, at least five credits must be a lab. For Humanities, no more than five credits can be a Humanities-Performance course and no more than five credits may be applied in world languages at the 100 level.

Program Outcomes

Program outcomes are listed on the [Area of Study webpage](#).

Sample Schedule

This sample schedule is provided as a guide for a full-time student starting in fall quarter whose goal is to earn the AA-DTA. The courses are designed with the appropriate number of credits to meet degree requirements and are organized in a recommended sequence. Please consult an advisor to schedule courses and develop a personalized educational plan.



Your personal educational plan will vary based on many factors including:

- The quarter you begin
- How many classes/credits you plan to take in each quarter
- Your math and English placement
- If you have credits you have already taken and plan to transfer them
- The college you are interested in transferring to
- If you start in our [Transitional Studies](#) program

First Quarter

Meet with your advisor to talk about your long-term schedule, taking into account your transfer plans.

Catalog #	Course Title	Credits
COLL 101	College Success	5
ENGL& 101	English Composition I	5
SOC& 101	Introduction to Sociology	5

Second Quarter

It's not too soon to explore transfer options. Make a [transfer appointment](#).

Catalog #	Course Title	Credits
ENGL& 102	Composition II	5
MATH& 146	Introduction to Stats	5
SOCSI 101	Contemporary Global Issues	5

Third Quarter

Check your educational plan to make sure you're on track to graduate.

Catalog #	Course Title	Credits
CMST 201	Social Media & Society	5
GEOG 120	Introduction to Physical Geography	5
SOC 115	Understanding Diversity	5

Fourth Quarter

Meet with your educational and career planner to explore universities.

Catalog #	Course Title	Credits
Humanities		5
Natural Sciences		5
PSYC& 100	General Psychology	5

Natural Sciences + Choose a course with a lab.



Fifth Quarter

Apply to graduate. You're just two quarters away...keep it up!

Catalog #	Course Title	Credits
CMST& 210 or CMST& 220		5
Elective		5
ENVS& 100	Survey of Environmental Science	5

Sixth Quarter

You're almost done! Good luck on your final quarter!

Catalog #	Course Title	Credits
Elective		5
Elective		5
PSYC& 200 or PSYC 250		5

Total Credits	90
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