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A PLACE TO BECOME

The Sociology program prepares students for a wide variety of graduate and professional studies. Our graduates have gone on to:

GRAD SCHOOL
- Master of Arts in Sociology, University of Toronto
- PhD in Sociology, University of Toronto
- University of Alberta & Western University
- Master of Arts in International Affairs, Norman Paterson School of International Affairs, Carleton University
- JD, University of Ontario Law School
- MBA, Ivey School of Business, Western University
- Master of Public Health, Western University
- Promotional Research Fellow, Surveillance Studies Centre, Queen’s University

EMPLOYMENT
- Associate Lawyer, Health and Personal Injury, Learners LLP (London, Ontario)
- Police Constable, Toronto Police Service
- Assistant Professor, Dalhousie School of Public Health, University of Toronto
- Assistant and Associate Professor, Sociology, Western University
- Psychologist, St. Joseph’s Care Group
- Teacher and Principal, Thames Valley District School Board
- Evaluation, Centre for Addiction and Mental Health
- Public Relations Supervisor, Kettle Creek Communication Authority

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- kings.uwo.ca/sociology

WELLNESS RESOURCES

STUDENT AFFAIRS
- kings.uwo.ca/wellness
LEARNING OUTCOMES:
The classroom and experiential learning that takes place in the Sociology program allows students to engage with the self and others in the world, ongoing reflection of the taken-for-granted assumptions of human experience. Students who complete a Sociology degree will be well prepared to tackle on challenging tasks and provide evidence-based solutions to a number of social problems that persist in the 21st century. With the knowledge and skills gained in the program, students will develop a greater appreciation for social complexity and interconnection.

KNOWLEDGE:
- Develop critical research skills to analyze and interpret the complexities of a variety of social issues.
- Identify, evaluate, and critique various systems of knowledge production about the social world.
- Demonstrate the ability to critically assess the historical and continuing impact of injustice, colonization, oppression, and various mechanisms of social exclusion and discrimination.

SKILLS AND COMPETENCIES:
- Think critically about social problems.
- Understand and conduct qualitative and quantitative research methods.
- Communicate their learning effectively through presentations, posters, and new media.
- Write in a variety of forms, including research essays, critical reflections, policy briefs, and podcasting.
- Synthesize multiple perspectives in innovative ways.

EXPERIENCE:
- Participate in local, national, and international experiential learning or service exchange programs.
- Learn and develop new communication skills, including the use of social media and podcasting.
- Collaborate with faculty on research projects, experiential learning trips, and policy briefs.

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The Sociology program combines evidence-based research, critical analysis, and practical applications to help students understand and solve social problems at the local and global levels. The program centers on the training of sociologists who can analyze and challenge social structures that continue to be the root causes of inequality, poverty, discrimination and oppression. Students are urged to think critically and creatively about complex issues to develop strategies to prevent and solve social problems.

The Sociology program is particularly valuable in careers in government, education, health, social work, law and social policy, non-profit, and business. Through the completion of a degree in Sociology, students will build knowledge, skills, and experience.

THINK
Imagine, Create

- Make an appointment to meet with faculty during office hours.
- Make an appointment to the Health Centre to meet your upper year student mentor.
- Join the King’s Sociology and Criminology Association and participate in social and academic events.
- Review your program requirements and plan for a successful degree path.
- Sign up for the Co-curricular Record.

MIDDLE YEARS

- Check out the First Year Undergraduate Research Conference.
- Explore options for community-based and experiential learning courses.
- Become a mentor through Kings Accessibility Services.
- Consider a work-study position at the White Rabbit or elsewhere on campus.
- Attend department, KUCSC, and KUHSC sponsored events.

ENGAGE
In Local and Global Community

- Attend King’s International Inter- Cultural Events.
- Volunteer at community-based organizations, such as the John Howard Society or St. Joseph’s Hospitality Center.
- Consider joining the KUCSC as a first year or program representative.
- Join the student-run “King’s Social Change Lab”.
- Ask students to research about possible undergraduate research opportunities at King’s.
- Get involved with the KUCSC or the Criminology Association.
- Participate in the King’s Undergraduate Research Conference.

A PLACE TO BE

- Attend undergraduate and law school information sessions.
- Prepare graduate school or law school applications.
- Sign up for the Next Step, UVic, or participate in career fairs.
- Learn how to use the resources in the Cardinal Carter Library.

THINK
Imagine, Create

- Make an appointment to meet with the Indigenous Cultural Educator or Campus Ministry Development and Student Affairs.
- Have a meeting to discuss your degree requirements.
- Meet with career services to review your program requirements.
- Meet with faculty to discuss possible undergraduate research opportunities.
- Look for opportunities to start volunteering with an employer in the community.
- Write for the Regis or Western.

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ALUMNI PROFILE

Sasha Kulczycki
SA - Honors Criminology and Sociology Graduate Year: 2016

CURRENT CAREER
Senior Talent Acquisition Specialist, Info-Tech Research Group

CAREER OVERVIEW
As Senior Talent Acquisition Specialist, I work with stakeholders and hiring managers to develop sourcing strategies and implement sourcing initiatives. I source and evaluate talent, and successfully manage large scale recruitment projects.

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