

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.

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.

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 2022-2023 calendars (<http://catalogue.uottawa.ca/en/archives/>) for the previous requirements.

Basic Skills

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| 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 ¹ | |
| AHL 1900 | Introduction to Interdisciplinary Study in the Arts ¹ | |

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| ENG 1120 | Selected Topics in Literature and Composition | |
| 3 course units from: | | 3 Units |
| AHL 1100 | Introduction to Interdisciplinary Study in the Arts ¹ | |
| AHL 1900 | Introduction to Interdisciplinary Study in the Arts ¹ | |
| PHI 1102 | Moral Reasoning | |
| PHI 1103 | Fundamental Philosophical Questions | |
| PHI 1104 | Great Philosophers | |
| PHI 1302 | Philosophy: Themes and Texts | |

Total: 12 Units

Methodology (21 course units)

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| SOC 3315 | Qualitative Analysis | 3 Units |
| SOC 3316 | Statistical Analysis in Sociology | 3 Units |
| SOC 4315 | Qualitative Research Laboratory | 3 Units |
| SOC 4316 | Quantitative Research Project | 3 Units |

3 course units from: 3 Units

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| 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

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| CMN 3103 | Qualitative Methods | |
| SOC 2315 | Introduction to Qualitative Methodology | |

Communication (39 course units)

Compulsory courses

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

Optional courses

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| 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 (27 course units)

Compulsory courses - Theory

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| SOC 1104 | Sociology: Big Questions | 3 Units |
| 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 |
| SOC 4119 | Theorizing in Sociology | 3 Units |

Optional courses

6 course units from: 6 Units

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| SOC 2103 | Socio-anthropology of the Family |
| SOC 2104 | Gender and Society |
| SOC 2107 | Principles of Demography |
| SOC 2151 | Globalization: Sociological and Anthropological Aspects |
| SOC 2153 | Historical Sociology |
| SOC 2309 | Canadian Society |
| SOC 2312 | Political Sociology |
| SOC 2332 | Sociology of Social Networks |
| SOC 2708 | Sociologie des communautés francophones en situation minoritaire du Canada |

6 course units from : 6 Units

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| SOC 3120 | Sociological Theory: Power and Inequalities |
| SOC 3121 | Sociological Theory: Meaning and Subjectivity |
| SOC 3122 | Sociological Theory: Reproduction and Changes |

3 course units from: 3 Units

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| SOC 4103 | Sociology of Populations |
| SOC 4104 | Family, Life Trajectories, and Society |
| SOC 4121 | Nationalism and Interethnic Relations |
| SOC 4122 | Political Economy, Finance and Power |
| SOC 4127 | Contemporary Analysis of Migration |
| SOC 4134 | Social Change and Conflict |
| SOC 4303 | Sociology of Science, Knowledge and Expertise |

Total: 87 Units

Elective Courses ²

21 elective course units 21 Units

Total: 21 Units

Note(s)

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This course has variable topics. Students may take this course twice.

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The electives may be replaced by a combination of Option(s) (http://catalogue.uottawa.ca/en/programs/#filter=filter_19&filter_170&filter_27), and/or elective units.