Bachelor of Arts in

Sociology

(Double Major)

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PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Sociology is a cornerstone discipline in the Social Sciences that focuses on the objective study of human societies. The Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Sociology program will prepare learners for a lifetime of change and appreciation of diversity by equipping them with knowledge about human behavior, social organization, culture, and social change as well as teaching them research and writing skills. The program affords learners the invaluable opportunity to acquire a Bachelor's degree combining Sociology with a choice of multiple other cognate disciplines such as Psychology, International Relations, Political Science, Criminal Justice Studies, Law, Human Resource Management and Journalism.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

Upon successful completion of the program, students will be able to:

1. Assess social, economic, and political processes using divergent sociological perspectives/theories.
2. Investigate a sociological problem using a range of sociological research strategies and methods of enquiry.
3. Evaluate conceptual, theoretical and applied issues in community development and social welfare.
4. Analyze conceptual, theoretical and applied issues in the sociological study of health and medicine; 5. Analyze conceptual, theoretical and applied issues in sociological study of work and organizations.

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS 120 UNITS

GENERAL EDUCATION 39 UNITS

SIGNATURE COURSES 15 UNITS

STRATEGIES FOR UNIVERSITY SUCCESS 3 UNITS

SUS 1010 Strategies for University Success

RESEARCH METHODS 3 UNITS

GRM 2000 Introduction to Research Methods

COMMUNITY SERVICE OR COMMUNITY PROJECT 3 UNITS

CMS 3700 Community Service

THE SENIOR EXPERIENCE 3 UNITS

SEN 4800 Integrated Senior Seminar

FUNDAMENTALS OF INFORMATION LITERACY 3 UNITS

FIL 1010 Fundamentals of Information Literacy

LANGUAGE STUDIES 12 UNITS

ENGLISH LANGUAGE 6 UNITS

ENG 1106 Composition I (WI)
ENG 2206 Composition II (WI)

FOREIGN LANGUAGE 6 UNITS

Students must have credit for a foreign language or must take a two-course foreign language sequence of one language.
USIU-Africa offers courses in Arabic (ARB1000), French (FRN1000), Japanese (JPN1000), Spanish (SPN1000), Swahili (SWA1000), Chinese (CHI1000) and Kenya Sign Language (KSL1000).

DISCIPLINARY GENERAL EDUCATION ELECTIVES 6 UNITS

IST 1010 Introduction to Information Systems
MTH 1109 College Algebra

SCHOOL-BASED GENERAL EDUCATION ELECTIVES 6 UNITS

Students are required to pick 2 from the other Schools.
At least one of the courses should be an upper level course. Lower level courses are coded 1000-2999 while upper level coded 3000-4999.

CHANDARIA SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

LOWER LEVEL

BUS	1010	Introduction to Business	3 Units
ECO	1010	Principles of Microeconomics	3 Units
ENT	1010	Introduction to Entrepreneurship	3 Units
HRT	1010	Introduction to Hospitality & Tourism Management	3 Units

UPPER LEVEL

BUS	4070	Business Values & Ethics	3 Units
BUS	4090	Strategic Management	3 Units
MGT	3010	Overview of Management Practice	3 Units
MGT	4030	Cross Cultural Management	3 Units
MKT	3010	Principles of Marketing	3 Units

SCHOOL OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY AND SCHOOL OF PHARMACY AND HEALTH SCIENCES

LOWER LEVEL

ENV	2000	Introduction to Environmental Sciences	3 Units
ENV	2001	Sustainable Resource Management	3 Units
JRN	1109	Introduction to Mass Communication	3 Units
JRN	2103	Fundamentals of Photography	3 Units
MTH	2210	Introduction to Applied Statistics	3 Units
MTH	2010	Probability and Statistics	3 Units
NSC	2215	Introduction to Physical Mechanics	3 Units
NSC	2205	Human Physiology	3 Units
NSC	2212	Life, Environment & Society	3 Units
NSC	2216	Introduction to Earth Sciences	3 Units

UPPER LEVEL

ENV	3200	Water Use & Management	3 Units
ENV	3288	Field Studies	3 Units
ENV	3300	Energy Use and Management	3 Units
ENV	3500	Regional Environment	3 Units
ENV	4000	Environmental Economics	3 Units
ENV	4200	Environmental Law	3 Units
JRN	3015	Media Management	3 Units
NSC	3304	Biology and the Environment	3 Units

CORE COURSES — 33 UNITS

LOWER LEVEL — 15 UNITS

SOC	1101	Foundations of Sociology	3 Units
SOC	1102	The Social Structure of Society	3 Units
PSY	2105	Social Psychology	3 Units
SOC	2214	Social Change	3 Units
SOC	2220	Writing in Sociology	3 Units

UPPER LEVEL — 18 UNITS

SOC	3302	Classical Sociological Theory	3 Units
SOC	3303	Social Research Methods	3 Units
SOC	4401	Modern Sociological Theory	3 Units
SOC	4402	Micro Sociological Theories	3 Units
SOC	4403	Data Analysis and Report Writing	3 Units
SOC	4900	Research Project	3 Units
OR			
SOC	4910	Sociology Internship	3 Units

CONCENTRATiONS — 24 UNITS

Community Development and Social Welfare — 24 units

SOC	2209	Social Problems	3 units

SOC	2217	Social Inequality	3 units
SOC	2218	Social Gerontology	3 units
SOC	3306	Community Development and Social Welfare	3 units
SOC	3307	Community Leadership	3 units
SOC	3317	Social Conflict and Resolution	3 units
SOC	3324	Sociology of Project Planning and Management	3 units
SOC	3325	Participatory Project Monitoring & Evaluation	3 units
SOC	4410	Child Protection and Welfare Practices	3 units
SOC	4414	Rural Sociology	3 units
SOC	4416	Public Policy and Administration	3 units
SOC	4421	Special Topics in Sociology	3 units

Health and Medicine — 24 units

SOC	2207	Concepts of Health and Illness	3 units
SOC	2208	Bioethics	3 units
SOC	2209	Social Problems	3 units
PSY	3171	Social Psychology of Health and Care	3 units
SOC	3309	Sociology of Health and Medicine	3 units
SOC	3311	Lifestyle Diseases and Illnesses	3 units
SOC	3312	Sociology of Mental Health and Illness	3 units
SOC	3318	Healthcare Systems in Developing Countries	3 units
HSC	4010	Sociology of Health Sciences	3 units
SOC	4406	Traditional and Alternative Medical Systems	3 units
SOC	4421	Special Topics in Sociology	3 units

Work and Organizations — 24 units

SOC	2209	Social Problems	3 units
SOC	2213	Sociology of the Family	3 units
SOC	2217	Social Inequality	3 units
SOC	3308	Formal Organizations	3 units
SOC	3319	Sociology of Work	3 units
SOC	3320	Urban Sociology	3 units
SOC	3322	Industrial Sociology	3 units
MGT	4040	Human Resource Management	3 units
SOC	4407	Sociology of Occupations and Professions	3 units
SOC	4418	Labor Relations and Collective Bargaining	3 units
SOC	4421	Special Topics in Sociology	3 units

ELECTIVE COURSES (choose three courses) — 9 UNITS

SOC	2212	Sociology of Gender	3 units
SOC	2215	Sociology of Religion	3 units
SOC	2216	Sociology of Education	3 units
SOC	3305	Deviant Behavior	3 units
SOC	3313	Political Sociology	3 units
SOC	3314	Environmental Sociology	3 units
SOC	3316	Sociology of Development	3 units
SOC	3321	Race and Ethnic Relations	3 units
SOC	3323	Social Demography	3 units
SOC	4412	Collective Behavior and Social Movements	3 units
SOC	4415	Sociology of Law	3 units
SOC	4419	Sociology of Mass Communication	3 units

MINOR — 15 UNITS

A student can select 1 lower level course and 4 upper level courses from other Schools.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

A Bachelor of Arts in Sociology opens up a wide range of career opportunities:

1. Human Resources Specialist
2. Community Development Officer
3. Policy Analyst
4. Market Research Analyst
5. NGO Program Coordinator
6. Case Manager
7. Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Manager
8. Probation Officer
9. Healthcare Administrator

ADMISSION REQUIREMENT

Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education (KCSE) or its equivalent with a minimum aggregate of C+ (Plus).

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