

Career Information for Sociology Majors

OSU CAREER DEVELOPMENT CENTER RESOURCES https://career.oregonstate.edu/

- Handshake Accounts
- Career Events- Get a Dam Job Series
- Career & Major Exploration
- Assistance with Job and Internship Searches
- Resume and Cover Letter Preparation
- Interview Skills
- Graduate School Information
- Alumni/ Employer Connections
- Resume Reviews with VMock

USEFUL JOB/INTERNSHIP RESOURCES

- O*NET
- Handshake
- Buzzfile
- LinkedIn (OSU Alumni)
- Interships.com
- Glassdoor.com
- Indeed.com
- USAjobs.gov
- www.governementjobs.com/careers/oregon

HOT JOBS FOR SOCIOLOGY MAJORS

- Sociologist
- Counselor/Therapist
- Human Resources Representative
- Management Consultant
- Market Research Analyst
- Policy Analyst
- Law Enforcement
- Public Relations
- Social Worker
- Special Education
- Government Agencies

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SAMPLE OF GRADUATE DEGREE OPTIONS

- Social Psychology
- Developmental Disabilities
- Education
- Business Administration: Social Impact Management
- Evaluation and Social Research
- Counseling
- Social Justice/ Social Research
- Sociology/Sociology Corrections
- Human and Social Services

SKILLS DEVELOPED IN MAJOR

- Applying Theoretical Approaches To Research
- Planning/ Designing Projects
- Gathering Data
- Working With Research Subjects
- Critical Reading
- Interpreting Data
- Evaluating Ideas/ Theories/ Evidence
- Analyzing Qualitatively And Quantitatively
- Conducting Social Analysis
- Teamwork/ Motivating A Group
- Identifying Cultural/Social Considerations
- Assessing Needs
- Understanding Human Relationships
- Writing Clearly/Effectively
- Public Speaking/ Presenting
- Conveying Complex Information/Ideas
- Understanding Of Privilege/Prejudice



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PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Virtually every type of career and industry has Professional Associations that host events and conferences, produce statistics and reports, write best practices and newsletters, announce job openings, and serve as a connector for their many professional members. As a student, you may be able to get a reduced (or free) membership rate and qualify for scholarships.

Here are some Professional Associations that Sociology Majors may want to check out:

- American Sociological Association: https://www.asanet.org/
- Pacific Sociological Association: https://www.pacificsoc.org/
- American Evaluation Association: https://www.eval.org/
- Association for Applied and Clinical Sociology: https://www.aacsnet.net/
- International Sociological Association: https://www.isa-sociology.org/en/
- The Society for the Study of Social Problems: https://www.sssp1.org/
- Association of Black Sociologists: http://www.associationofblacksociologists.org/
- International Visual Sociology Association: https://visualsociology.org/

MAKING PROFESSIONAL CONNECTIONS

Creating and growing connections is crucial when it comes to finding internships and jobs. While you need to bring your experience and knowledge to the table, it is true that most employees secure their jobs through the people they know. Ask your faculty, advisors, and Career Development Career staff to help you find professionals in your fields of interest and start seeking out ways to expand your network.

Below are some tips that will help you start finding and nurturing valuable connections:

- **Conduct Informational Interviews** Seek out OSU Alumni or other professionals to ask for a half hour meeting. Ask them questions about their jobs, careers, industry experience, etc.
- **LinkedIn** A complete profile is a must-have for any college student to connect with a professional community and gain industry news and knowledge.
- **Online Presence** Create a polished, professional online presence through various social media outlets.
- Attend- OSU career fairs, career panels, employer events, workshops, and career treks