Sociology HBA
Department of Sociology

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- Communication Skills
- Quantitative and Qualitative Reasoning
- Problem-Solving Skills
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- Present sociological explanations of social issues
- Identify/explain the impact and consequences of social policy and social institutions

Careers for Graduates
- Researcher (Government & NGO)
- Public Policy Analyst
- Public Relations Consultant
- Risk Analyst in Security Agencies
- Services Outreach Worker in Community Services
- Social Services
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# Sociology HBA Specialist Program Pathway

## Year 1 (0 - 3.5 Credits)
- Take SOCA03Y3.
- Explore different types of courses; this will also help fulfill the breadth requirements and electives.
- Use Degree Explorer to plan your courses and program of interest.
- See the UTSC Calendar for course requirements.
- First year course SOCA03Y3 introduces students to the field of Sociology.
- We encourage you to meet your Program Librarian for in-depth research assistance with your assignments.
- Book sessions with CTL’s Writing Center to develop academic and writing skills.
- Join Students of Sociology (SOS).

## Year 2 (4 - 8.5 Credits)
- Complete the core courses comprised of 2.0 credits: SOCB05H3, SOCB35H3, SOCB42H3, and SOCB43H3.
- 3.0 additional credits at the B-level in SOC.
- Apply for admission in the Sociology Specialist program.
- Use Degree Explorer to plan your courses and program; meet with your Program Advisor to ensure you are on track with your degree.
- Reach out to your Faculty members and inquire about research opportunities.
- Refine your interests in Sociology subfields.
- Explore the Sociology Research Guide.
- Attend workshops offered by the Academic Advising & Career Centre (AA&CC) and Centre for Teaching and Learning (CTL) to develop academic skills.

## Year 3 (9 - 13.5 Credits)
- Look for Research Assistantships.
- Participate in the Indigenous book club.
- Connect with faculty for community engagement opportunities.
- Attend the UTSC Faculty Mix & Mingle Fair to connect with professors and learn more about their specialties.
- Start building your Co-Curricular Record (CCR) and search for Experiential Learning opportunities on the Career & Co-Curricular Learning Network (CLNx).
- Meet with the campus Indigenous Elder.
- Join Students of Sociology (SOS) and explore other relevant student clubs and activities on campus.
- Volunteer in DSL’s Alternative Reading Week program to gain experience and knowledge about social change and community development; explore other DSL programs.

## Year 4 or Final Year (14 - 20 Credits)
- Submit a paper to Undergraduate Research Day - Build on your skills and knowledge through relevant events offered through your department, student groups, DSL and the AA&CC.
- Connect with Faculty for community engagement opportunities.
- Volunteer to be a First Year Peer Advisor in DSL’s First Year Experience Program.
- Attend the UTSC Get Experience Fair to learn about local and international opportunities.
- Look into volunteering or working overseas to expand your network through the International Student Centre’s (ISC) Global Learning programs.
- Gain experience by applying for a summer, part-time or Work Study position via CLNx (->Jobs & Recruitment).
- Considering grad school? Speak to professors and program advisors early so you are on track.
- Explore careers through the AA&CC’s Job Shadowing program and In The Field programs.
- Plan a career path with a staff member at the AA&CC.
- Check CLNx for networking events and employer information sessions.
- Attend the UTSC Graduate & Professional School Fair in January.
- Consider the AA&CC’s Partners in Leadership program to learn and network with an alumni mentor about transitioning to work or further education.
- Attend the AA&CC’s Get Hired job search conference in April/May.
- Attend the Jobs for Grads orientation for a job search “crash course”.
- If you are considering grad school, consider applying for a SSHRC award.
- Discuss your plans early with staff at the AA&CC and your professors.
- Get your Personal Statement reviewed in the AA&CC.

## How to Use This Program Pathway
Read through each year; investigate what appeals to you here and in other Program Pathways that apply to you. Note that this Pathway is only a suggestion. For the most up to date information, please check the UTSC Calendar.

## Choose Your Courses Wisely

## Develop Your Academic & Research Skills

## Apply Theory to Practice

## Become An Engaged Citizen (Locally & Globally)

## Plan For Your Future Career

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