



Sociology

Why Study Sociology at TCNJ?

Sociology students at TCNJ's School of Humanities and Social Sciences study social life and human society, developing deep insights into human behavior that can help improve lives and contribute real solutions to complex social problems. Through challenging course work and integrated field experiences, students master a set of flexible and highly marketable professional skills — including quantitative and qualitative research, critical thinking, team collaboration, leadership, social awareness, and communication. Our graduates go on to pursue meaningful careers in social work, teaching, public policy, law, education administration, urban planning, community development, marketing, management, applied research, and advanced social science research.

Programs of Study

TCNJ offers a Sociology major and minor.

Students benefit from:

- **Extensive field experience** — including internships, community-based research, and collaborative, faculty-led projects
- **Customizable programs for tailored study** — allowing the pursuit of unique interests
- **A flexible curriculum that easily accommodates double majors** — with various other programs in the School of Humanities and Social Sciences and beyond
- **Small classes and seminars** — to drive deep engagement and collaboration
- **Close mentorship from faculty with diverse expertise** — particularly in fields of health, the environment, nonprofit and community development, and urban and ethnic studies

Study Abroad

To broaden their perspective and deepen their social and cultural intelligence, Sociology students are encouraged to study abroad. TCNJ's Center for Global Engagement offers over 100 study abroad sites to choose from worldwide.

Mentored Student Research

Sociology students are encouraged to carry out research with faculty mentors. Each year, the department's faculty offer research courses to give students the opportunity to work closely with them on cutting-edge research projects. Students may also choose to carry out independent research with faculty support. Some students choose to carry out a two-semester, research-based Senior Thesis as their culminating major Capstone project.



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Internships

Most Sociology students complete at least one internship — and getting hired after graduation is a frequent occurrence. Students can receive academic credit for internships at almost any type of organization related to their studies.

Recent internships include:

Coalition for the Delaware River Watershed, Mercer Street Friends Preschool, Middletown High School Guidance Department, New Jersey Department of Health, New Jersey Office of the Attorney General, The Arc Mercer: Occupational Training Center, Trenton Circus Squad, and the Trenton Violence Reduction Strategy.

A Sociology Degree from TCNJ Opens Doors

TCNJ Sociology students become socially aware, culturally sensitive, committed community members who are well-prepared to pursue professional careers in a range of fields or acceptance into top graduate programs.

Recent Graduate Employers:

Bloomberg
Ithaca College
Morgan Stanley
Nestle
Teach for America
Temple University
The East Trenton Collaborative
The Japan Exchange and Teaching (JET) Program
The Latin American Legal Defense and Education Fund
Towson State University

Recent Graduate Program Placements:

Columbia University Master in Social Work
Princeton University PhD in Sociology
Rutgers University Law School
Rutgers University Master in Information Sciences
Rutgers University Master in Public Administration
University of Pennsylvania Master in Public Health
Vanderbilt University Law School

Take the Next Step

To learn more about earning your Sociology degree at TCNJ, visit sociology.tcnj.edu or contact us with questions.

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