

Sociology

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Study our world — our social lives as individuals, how people connect as members of various groups, how societies are organized, and how they change over time. As a sociology student, consider the various options facing societies in an increasingly complex world. Influence and participate in societal change in a meaningful way. Our department offers small classes in a bilingual environment, as well as close mentorship with faculty members who encourage deep engagement with critical contemporary social issues, including racial inequality, migration, gender discrimination, poverty, indigenous reconciliation, climate justice and development. Our award-winning scholars are active in research and engaged and connected with local and global communities.



“As a person passionate about social justice and human rights initiatives, my degree opened my mind and challenged me in unexpected yet fulfilling ways. Supportive professors and the flexibility of the program allowed me to align my personal and academic interests and gave me the space I needed to learn more about my Indigenous heritage. My experience has been truly immersive and has shaped and strengthened my resolve to develop my understanding of alternative ways of knowing and being in the world, specifically from Indigenous perspectives.” — **Breanna B., iBA’20 Sociology and Gender and Women’s Studies**

Boost Your Major

- Get involved with the Aboriginal Students Association and international advocacy organizations such as Amnesty International and UNICEF
- Consider an exchange with Laval University in Quebec City
- Complete your Sociology degree as a bilingual or trilingual international bachelor of arts (iBA)

Skills You’ll Earn

- Comprehensive knowledge of social causes and issues and their consequences
- The ability to conduct both qualitative and quantitative social research
- An understanding of issues of diversity and equity in contemporary society and institutional settings, especially issues of racialization, gender and disability and intercultural awareness

Career Paths

As a graduate, you’ll be well-equipped to become a leader and changemaker. You can choose to pursue grad studies or get additional qualifications for careers such as:

- Civil servant
- Criminal Justice System worker
- Educator
- Environmental activist
- International Development consultant
- Lawyer
- NGO worker
- Polling and Survey expert
- Researcher
- Social Services worker



Your Path To Success

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	First Year	Middle Years	Final Year	Other Skills You'll Earn
Academics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attend an enrolment-planning workshop with the Academic Advising team Check your program requirements in the Academic Calendar Start/continue your language journey; visit our language-learning support centres Enrol in <i>Sociological Perspectives</i> to understand the connection between the personal and broader social structures 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enrol in <i>Women and Religion: Sex, Spirituality and Feminine Power</i> for a deep understanding of the relationship between women and religion, including feminist spirituality and goddess worship in religious movements. Request a progress report and meet with your academic advisor 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enrol in <i>Indigenous Activism, Resistance and Resurgence</i> to understand the ways in which Indigenous peoples have and are resisting to assimilation policies, colonialism and state power Plan for your bilingual or trilingual certification Get your degree audit Apply to graduate 	<p>Communication, Data Gathering & Organizational Skills</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Organize, understand and analyze new sources of information Deduct information from various sources and concentrate on relevant resources Prepare oral and written presentations and reports using current data and technology Learn new information and apply this to professional demands Critically analyze problems, think creatively and make sound and well-reasoned decisions while considering different sides of each argument <p>Management & Teamwork</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interpret and analyze information presented by peers and efficiently and constructively support or challenge their proposals, theories, ideas and reports in order to achieve a project's intended and successful end result Lead and interact with a variety of people with different approaches and personal and professional backgrounds Work effectively in group situations, partake in decision-making, lead and contribute in various capacities to the ultimate success of the team and task Identify priorities and proper courses of action, plan the execution of tasks and determine and delegate responsibilities to group members to most effectively carry out projects
Get Involved	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participate in orientation activities like JumpStart and Frosh Week Visit the Salon francophone or ESL Open Learning Centre Meet the Student Life Coordinator 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Become a Peer Mentor Join the Glendon Leadership Development program Get involved with the Aboriginal Students Association and international advocacy organizations such as Amnesty International and UNICEF Represent students' voices in university governance and/or committees 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Become a Glendon Ambassador Join an association, such as the Canadian Sociological Association, the Ontario Association of Social Workers or the Association for Applied and Clinical Sociology 	
Gain Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contact the Experiential Education office to find opportunities Develop your digital media skills at the Glendon Digital Media Lab Learn to articulate the skills you have developed through Becoming YU 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In your courses, conduct observations in Toronto neighbourhoods and connect with community institutions such as religious, environmental, immigrant services and cultural organizations Pursue your passion project through G21, Glendon's inquiry-based incubator, or GENIAL, for startups 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work on practical challenges by enrolling in the Cross-Campus Capstone Classroom (C4) Apply practical sociological skills in courses such as <i>Urban and Environmental Sociology</i> and <i>L'Enquête de terrain</i> Do a work placement with an elective course 	
Think Globally	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Learn another language – 20 languages are taught at Glendon and Keele Campuses, including French, Spanish and Ojibwe! Develop your intercultural skills Enrol in our bilingual or trilingual international bachelor of arts (iBA) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Take advantage of our unique exchange agreement with the Sociology department at Laval University in Quebec City Enrol in <i>International Migration; International Perspectives on Race and Ethnic Relations; Global Sociology, Urban and Environmental Sociology</i> courses 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Volunteer with organizations that have a focus on international issues or diversity in Canada Attend the Glendon Global debates 	
Plan Your Future	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Build your transferable skills by participating in workshops about skills and career development 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explore career options and learn more about the skills required Discover career opportunities by connecting with alumni Book an appointment with the Career Centre to start working on your resumé, cover letters and interview skills 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attend Glendon's Bilingual Job Fair and networking events Use the Career Centre to enhance your resumé and LinkedIn profile; learn job search techniques 	
				Admission Requirements
				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ontario Secondary School Diploma or equivalent, with average* of mid-to-high 70s A minimum of six 4U or 4M courses, including 4U English (ENG4U) or FRA4U for applicants from French-language high schools. We accept a combination of U and M courses and OACs. Proficiency in English OR French <p>*Average is calculated based on the top six 4U; 4M or DU courses</p>
				Get In Touch
				<p>Domestic students: liaison@glendon.yorku.ca International students: international@glendon.yorku.ca Attend one of our events!</p> <p>f t in @ GlendonCampus</p>