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The Selection of Your College

Do you wish to attend a small liberal arts college? Do you want to be treated and evaluated as a person and not as a number or a statistic? Do you want a direct relationship between students and faculty and a community campus atmosphere? Would you like to live on an award-winning, contemporary, architecturally designed campus? How about sociology for a major? If your answer is "yes," you should consider Methodist College.

The purpose of our sociology curriculum is:

1. To provide a program in sociology which meets a wide variety of student needs and interests in the general field of sociology.
2. To prepare future teachers of sociology and social studies on the secondary school level through our teacher preparation program.
3. To prepare students with sufficient ability and interest for graduate studies in sociology, anthropology and the social services.
4. To prepare students for positions in the various social services upon graduation through our three-course-sequence in the social services, culminating in a field experience course, which provides for field placement in a social agency.

A Career in Sociology

When you choose a career, you bet your life. This is one of the most important decisions that you will ever make.

Sociology may be the career for you. If you are interested in understanding your environment, your society, and other contemporary societies, and if you are interested in making new discoveries and reaching new insights about that environment, there is a place in sociology for you. If you are interested not just in understanding for its own sake but in using that understanding in trying to change the world for the better—what you conceive to be better—through government or other social service or even through political action, there is a place in sociology for you. And, finally, if your interests turn to pure science, if you want to unmask the general principles of social behavior and to show how they combine, in a myriad of different special circumstances, to create the actual features of human societies, large and small, then there is certainly a place in sociology for you.

In the choice of a career we all bet our lives. Here is the bet for sociology: a field offering great inherent interest, variety, and freedom and also the risks that attend these great rewards. What makes going right in sociology so satisfactory is just that it is so easy to go wrong. The study of society is naturally so interesting that, if you are boring or bored, it is your own fault.

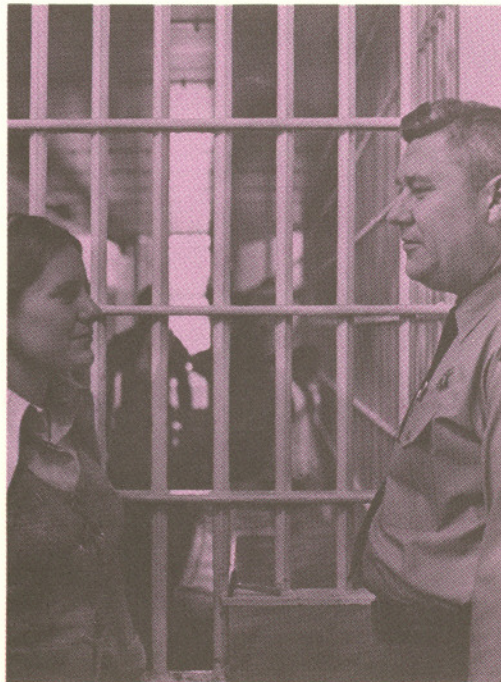
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Classroom Opportunities

A major in Sociology requires 30 semester hours in the Department. A minor requires 15 semester hours in the Department.

Courses are available in a variety of areas, including social institutions, services and problems. A study of minority relations, criminology, cultural anthropology, and marriage and the family are all a part of the program.

Many of our graduates have found that the course sequence of (1) Social Services, (2) Social Work Theory, and (3) Social Work Field Experience enables them to attain social work status. This classification is beneficial in acquiring better positions and more financial remuneration.



Field trips in Criminology acquaint students with correctional institutions.



Group work may involve assisting a mentally handicapped child at a day care center.

Field Work Opportunities

Field work opportunities are available in three areas: (1) case work (2) group work and (3) community organizations. In the field the student learns the function, decision-making process, constituency served, common and/or unique problems, as well as the available financial resources for the agency in which he works.

Among the 17 cooperating agencies are:

12th Judicial Court
Council for Older Adults
Department of Social Services
Mental Health Center
Day Care Center for Retarded
Vocational Rehabilitation
Womack Army Hospital Red Cross
Neurological Center
Y.M.C.A.

In the field work program each student observes and experiences the implementation of the classroom theories.

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