

AS and A2 (full A-level) Sociology



INTRODUCTION

The aim of this course is to provide you with an academic qualification, useful for all types of employment or as part of the requirements for University entrance.

Sociology is a subject which lends itself to healthy debate and discussion and students are encouraged to use their own life experiences as a starting point to understanding our own society and the effects of others upon us. Students will be required to write many essays in which they will develop sociologists' theories to formulate arguments. Therefore a competent standard of written English is essential. Sociology is a Social Science and as such is a useful A level to combine with other Science subjects as well as with Arts and Humanities subjects.

WHAT WILL I DO

Lectures involve students actively participating in the learning process in order to gain understanding and insight into contemporary issues.

The subject content has been arranged so that candidates must study a core of theory and methods plus a selection of substantive topics and may include areas such as:-

AS Subjects:

- Families and Households
- Education and Sociological Methods

A2 Subjects:

- Beliefs in Society
- Crime and Deviance and Theory and Methods

It is an intensive course and students must recognise that a lot of reading and essay writing needs to be done at home in preparation for 2 predominantly essay-based exams. Each exam involves students presenting and assessing a range of sociological theories. At AS the exams are one and two hours in length, and at A2 they are one and a half hours and two hours in length

HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE

AS and A2 (full A-level) courses may be studied on a part-time basis but students must be able to fit into the full-time time table.

Full time students will take 2 years to complete 4 modules. 2 modules must be completed in the 1st year to gain AS. It is envisaged that 1 module will be taken in January and 1 module in June. This schedule will also apply in the second year for those students aiming to achieve the full A level.

ENTRY QUALIFICATIONS

Normally 5 GCSE's grade C or above including written-based subjects. Mature applicants may be credited with prior experience.

WHERE COULD IT LEAD

Studying Sociology opens up many employment and career opportunities. Students can use this qualification to enter most University degrees e.g. Law, Media Business Studies, all Arts & Humanities subjects and can enter most fields of employment.

Past results have been excellent with some students leaving full time employment to enter University.

FEES

Full time Courses are free for those who are under 19 on 31 August of the year they start their course. For others, fees may vary depending on personal circumstances. Please enquire for details.

International and EU Students, please contact the International Office on +44 (0)1205 313212 or enquiry@boston.ac.uk for details on Fees.

ADDITIONAL COSTS

Costs to resit exams are currently £20 per unit but may be subject to change.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Where courses last for more than one year, only the first year's fees are shown

HOW TO APPLY

You can apply for this course by applying [online](#), by filling out an application form from the College prospectus or by contacting the Information Officer on 01205 313218 for further information.

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