

What can I do with a degree in...

Sociology



Why Warwick?

- Our graduates are the **most often targeted by the UK's top graduate employers** (*Graduate Market 2017, research conducted by High Fliers Research*)
- In the QS World University Rankings, Warwick is ranked **in the top 25 in the world for employer reputation** (*QS World University Rankings 2016/17*)
- Warwick is **highly ranked in the major university league tables**: 9th overall in the Times and Sunday Times (September 2017); 8th in the Complete University Guide (April 2017); and 8th in the Guardian league table (May 2017)

Employment destinations of our recent graduates*: warwick.ac.uk/whatdowarwickgradsdo.

About Sociology

The study of Sociology will change the way you see the world around you and how you relate to others. The skills you learn are relevant to the workplace and are valuable to employers. Those who study Sociology go onto a wide variety of jobs and gain a range of transferable skills. All Sociology degrees teach research methods, which will allow you to generate new knowledge from both quantitative and qualitative sources. You will learn how to analyse results from a wide variety of data and be able to carry out your own research both individually and as part of a group.

What do Sociology graduates do?

Jobs of recent graduates include:

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| • Arts Centre Officer | • Business Consultant | • Charity Outreach Worker |
| • Teacher | • Editorial Assistant | • Social researcher |
| • Marketing Executive | • HR Assistant | • Digital Media Executive |
| • Speech & Language Specialist | • Community Development Coach | • Local Government Management Trainee |

Sectors where graduates were working include:

- Education
- Arts
- Public Sector
- Banking
- Charity
- Higher Education

Further study undertaken by graduates includes:

- MA Social Work
- PGCE Primary
- MA Social Research
- MSc Economics
- MPhil/PhD Sociology
- MSc HR Management

James Pritchard, Careers and Employability Assistant at Coventry University, graduated in Sociology, 2015

Sociology at Warwick for me was the best of both worlds. Firstly, I was able to study a subject I cared about deeply in its own right, grappling with issues I was genuinely intrigued by. Secondly, I was able to develop a range of skills in order to begin my career with confidence!

At Warwick I chose a varied range of modules to broaden my perspective. I developed analytical skills through tackling complex course readings as well as communication skills through seminar participation and group presentations – these were invaluable when it came to getting a graduate job. I also got involved with Student Careers, taking on a voluntary Student Representative role. In turn, this helped me secure a place on the Warwick Undergraduate Internship Programme.

With relevant experience under my belt, I was able to secure my current role in the Higher Education sector. I work with students through one-to-one appointments and workshops, get involved with marketing, communications and events, to spread the employability message. I have a varied job with great colleagues and lots of opportunities for progression – all thanks to my three years at Warwick.

What do graduate recruiters look for?

- ✓ A good degree from a good university
- ✓ Work experience
- ✓ Involvement in extra-curricular activities
- ✓ The ability to describe and articulate their unique achievements and skills

Opportunities available at Warwick include:

- Academic study skills support
- Careers support from our professionally trained staff
- Opportunities to meet recruiters and attend events
- More than 200 clubs and societies
- Help finding work experience
- Free careers support after graduation

*The government requires all universities to survey graduates six months after they leave to ask about their employment circumstances, through the Destinations of Leavers from Higher Education survey. For some career paths graduates need to gain relevant experience, often at non-graduate level. It may therefore take some graduates longer than others to secure a graduate-level job.