**UNCG at a Glance**

**Profile:** UNCG is a public, coeducational, doctoral-granting, residential university chartered in 1891. It is one of the three original constituent institutions of The University of North Carolina System.

**Structure:** UNCG is organized into the College of Arts and Sciences, and six professional schools: The Joseph M. Bryan School of Business and Economics, School of Education, School of Health and Human Performance, School of Human Environmental Sciences, School of Music, and the School of Nursing.

**Enrollment:** More than 16,000 students (32 percent male, 68 percent female) from forty-nine states and more than seventy countries including more than 3,000 graduate students. More than 2,400 freshmen.

**Location:** UNCG is located in Greensboro, NC and is easy to reach by I-85 and I-40, Amtrak service, or the regional airport.

**Campus Life:** UNCG's picturesque campus includes 30 academic buildings and 24 residence halls on 210 acres. Opportunities for students include more than 180 student organizations, sixteen intercollegiate athletic teams, intramurals, club sports, recreation center, campus golf course, student newspaper, student literary magazine, student radio station, music and choral groups, drama and dance performance groups, concert and lecture series, film series, internships, fraternities and sororities, community service, and a field campus for fishing, swimming, and canoeing.

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Mission Statement
The Department of Sociology supports the mission of the College of Arts and Sciences and the University in three areas: education, research, and service. The Department fosters a community of sociologists, mentors students of sociology at the undergraduate and graduate levels, and provides general education for students throughout the University. Sociological knowledge helps students to understand how social structures and processes shape social life and how sociological analysis and empirical research are used as tools of understanding. The Department also encourages the research and professional development of faculty, contributes knowledge to the community of scholars and to the larger society, and provides service to the discipline, College, University and extramural communities.

Within the Sociology Department, majors may pursue a general sociology major, a sociology major with a concentration in criminology, or a sociology major with a concentration in social problems in a global society.

Degree Objectives
Sociology majors at UNCG will be expected to:

- Define and apply basic sociological concepts used in micro- and macro- sociological theory
- Explain the difference between personal opinion and theoretical insight based on research and between structural and individualistic explanations of human action
- Know how to formulate research hypotheses, collect, and do basic analysis of data
- Evaluate the appropriateness of various theories and research methods for answering different types of empirical questions
- Explain the differences among and the uses of different types of sociological research methods
- Be able to recognize and respond appropriately to the ethical issues involved in studying human subjects and organizations

Major Requirements
Students majoring in sociology, including both concentrations, are required to complete 36 hours in the major with a minimum 2.0 GPA.

Undergraduate students in the sociology major will take the following:

- SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology
- SOC 225 Social Inequalities: Race, Class, Gender
- SOC 290 Thinking Sociologically – Classical Theory
- SOC 301 Introduction to Methods & Research
- SOC 302 Introduction to Data Analysis
- SOC 490 Seeing Society – Contemporary Theory

In addition, students will choose six additional elective sociology courses of interest to them to complete the major. Four of these six sociology courses must be at the 300 course level or above.

Opportunities for Further Study
Sociology majors with appropriate GPAs are encouraged to participate in the Lloyd International Honors College to pursue general university honors or disciplinary honors. The Department also encourages students to consider study abroad. Students should work closely with the Undergraduate Director to identify courses at universities abroad that count towards the Sociology major or minor. Students may participate in the Sociology internship program to gain valuable experience working in a field of their choice. The internship program is available to qualified students in the spring semester of their junior or senior years.

Primary Faculty

JULIE V. BROWN, Head: Medical Sociology, Post-Soviet Societies, Occupations and Professions, Social Control
KENNETH ALLAN: Theory, Culture, Self, Institutions
MIKHAIL BALAEV: Economic Sociology, Globalization, Quantitative Methods, Political Sociology
SHELLY BROWN-JEFFY: Research Methods, Race and Ethnicity, Sociology of Education
STEVE CURETON: Policing, Gangs, Deviant Subcultures
SARAH DAYNES: Theory, Knowledge, Culture, Religion
DAN FISHER: Family, Social Psychology, Socialization
JENIFER HAMIL-LUKER: Life-course Studies, Gender, Health, Consequences of Crime
GWEN HUNNICUTT: Homicide Studies, Stratification and Crime, Cross-national Crime
STEVE KROLL-SMITH: Medical Sociology, Social Psychology, Environmental Sociology
ARIELLE KUPERBERG: Family, Gender and Work, Demography, Quantitative Methods
PAUL LUEBKE: Social Movements, Political Sociology, Race and Ethnicity, Immigration
WILLIAM T. MARKHAM: Environmental Sociology, Social Inequality, Sub-Saharan Africa, German Society
STEPHEN SILLS: Global Social Problems, Globalization, Transnationalism, Visual Sociology
SAUNDRA D. WESTERVELT: Sociology of Law, Criminology, Miscarriages of Justice

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