

Academic Year 2026/27

Bachelor of Arts with Honours in Sociology

UCAS Code: L300 (3 years)

Bachelor of Arts with Honours in Sociology (with Placement Year)

Internal Code: 1492U (4 years)

Bachelor of Arts with Honours in Sociology (with International Study Year)

Internal Code: 1822U (4 years)

Notes

- (i) *These programme regulations should be read in conjunction with the University's Taught Programme Regulations.*
- (ii) *All optional modules are offered subject to the constraints of the timetable and to any restrictions on the number of students who may be taught on a particular module. Not all modules may be offered in all years and they are listed subject to availability.*
- (iii) *Unless otherwise stated under 'Type', modules are not core.*
- (iv) *A compulsory module is a module which a student is required to study.*
- (v) *A core module is a module which a student must pass, and in which a fail mark may neither be carried nor compensated; such modules are designated by the board of studies as essential for progression to a further stage of the programme or for study in a further module.*
- (vi) *All modules are delivered in Linear mode unless stated otherwise as Block, eLearning or distance learning.*

1. Stage 1

- (a) Unless otherwise stated modules are not core.
- (b) All candidates shall take the following compulsory modules:

Code	Descriptive title	Total Credits	Credits Sem 1	Credits Sem 2	Level	Type	Mode
SOC1027	Comparing Cultures: An Introduction to Anthropology	20	20		4		
SOC1030	The Sociological Imagination: An Introduction to the Discipline	20	20		4		
SOC1031	Knowing in Sociology: An Introduction to Theory, Methods and Epistemology	20		20	4		
SOC1033	Understanding Everyday Life	20		20	4		
SOC1034	Investigating Inequalities and Crime	20	20		4		

- (c) All candidates must take additional modules to a value of 20 credits. Candidates may take the module listed below OR choose from other subject areas within GPS or other Schools. DPD approval is required for modules outside the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
SOC1032	Politics & Society	20		20	4		

2. Stage 2

- (a) All candidates shall take the following compulsory modules:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
SOC2058	Theorising Social Worlds	20	20		5		
SOC2069	Researching Social Life	20	20		5		
SOC2070	This is How We Do It: Sociology Research Design and Proposal	20		20	5		

- (b) All candidates shall take 60 credits of optional modules normally selected from the following list:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
SOC2027	Being Human: debates, questions and conversations in anthropology	20		20	5		
SOC2029	Climate and Society	20		20	5		
SOC2044	Sociology of Crime: Social Control in Neoliberal Societies	20	20		5		
SOC2056	Sociology of Health and Illness	20	20		5		
SOC2085	Refugees and Displacement: Borders, Camps, and Asylum	20		20	5		

With the approval of the Degree Programme Director alternative optional modules to those listed above may be selected.

3. Year 3 (Placement Year)

On completion of Stage 2 and before entering Stage 3, candidates may as part of their studies for the degree spend a year in a placement with an approved organisation. Permission to undertake a placement is subject to the approval of the Degree Programme Director. Students who are required to re-sit their Stage 2 assessment must delay the start of their placement until they have done so. Students who fail Stage 2 may not complete the placement year.

NB: Placement opportunities will be guided by governmental and institutional policy at the time.

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
NCL3000	Careers Service Placement Year Module	120	60	60	6		<i>Blended Learning</i>

4. Year 3 (International Study year)

On completion of Stage 2 and before entering Stage 3, candidates may as part of their studies for the degree spend a year at an international partner institution. Students must undertake all pre-departure requirements prior to study abroad. Students will be able to select from a range of modules offered by their host university, in doing so they must agree on an overall selection of modules with the Degree Programme Director and take the approximate equivalent of 120 credits (60 ECTS). Students who are required to re-sit their Stage 2 assessment must delay the start of their international study year until they have done so. Students must pass their Stage 2 modules before they can begin their international study abroad year.

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
ISY3000	International Study Year Module	120	60	60	6		

5. Stage 3

(a) All candidates shall take the following compulsory modules:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
SOC3097	Dissertation in Sociology	40	20	20	6		

(b) All candidates shall take 80 credits of optional modules normally selected from the following list:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Mode</i>
SOC3027	Being Human: Debates, Questions and Conversations in anthropology	20		20	6		
SOC3029	Climate and Society	20		20			
SOC3045	Regulating Sexuality	20	20		6		
SOC3047	Critical Approaches to Policing and Security	20		20	6		
SOC3049	States of Mind: Sociology and Mental Health	20		20	6		
SOC3083	Digital People, Digital Worlds	20		20	6		
SOC3085	Student Exchange*	40	40		6		
SOC3090	Investigating the Body	20	20		6		

SOC3099	Racism and Society	20	20		6		
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- (c) With the approval of the Degree Programme Director students may choose alternative optional modules (up to 20 credits) from stages 2 or 3. This will require a clear rationale and the selection of a stage 2 module is expected to be exceptional rather than the norm. Students must accumulate a minimum of 90 taught credits at FHEQ Level 6 to qualify for the award of Bachelor of Arts with Honours.
- (d) *SOC3085 (Exchange module) allows students to study in semester 1 of Stage 3 in a European University where they will take modules that count towards their final degree and begin work on their dissertation. Students wishing to take this module must indicate their interest in Stage 2.
- (e) Students who have completed SOC2027 in Stage 2 of their degree will not be able to select SOC3027 in Stage 3. Students who have completed SOC2029 in Stage 2 of their degree will not be able to select SOC3029 in Stage 3.

6. Assessment methods

Details of the assessment pattern for each module are explained in the module outline.

7. Degree classification

Candidates will be assessed for degree classification on the basis of all the modules taken at Stages 2 and 3 with the weighting of the stages being 1:2 for Stage 2 and Stage 3 respectively.

8. Degree title

Candidates who choose to take part in the Placement Year/Year Abroad shall be transferred onto the four year version of the programme and graduate with one of the following:

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