

Sociology BS

College of Arts & Sciences – Department of Sociology and Political Science

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The Department of Sociology and Political Science has the primary mission of offering strong academic programs in sociology, criminology and criminal justice, social work and political science. It provides students with a quality liberal arts education that prepares them for a rapidly changing world and a variety of work environments and postgraduate educational possibilities. Students are educated to not only master a diverse body of knowledge but also to think critically, analyze data, and clearly communicate what they know and discover. Recognizing that we live in an increasingly technological and diverse world, we seek to incorporate technological expertise and appreciation of human diversity into our courses. The Department also strives to serve the wider university, the Upper Cumberland region, and the nation through research and public service.

PG 1:

Enrollment By Year	SOC General Track Majors	SOC-CRCJ Majors	SOC-SW Majors	Total Majors
2021	27	127	62	216
2020	20	144	70	234
2019	18	142	70	230
2018	35	132	73	240
2017	57	100	87	244
2016	50	112	92	254

Graduation: Fall 2014 cohort: 42.9% graduated within 6 years from Tennessee Tech.

: The enrollment threshold for Sociology is 215 students; if majors fall below that threshold, SOC will increase recruitment initiatives.

- 2. The Program is dedicated to remaining involved in recruitment initiatives including TTU Fall Preview Day and Spring Showcase during which we give out TTU "swag" to prospective students.

PG 2: Students will judge that a sufficient number of curricular and co-curricular activities were offered by the program as reported by our students.

- 1. Departmentally-designed Qualtrics student satisfaction survey.

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Somewhat Disagree	Somewhat Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree
The sociology curriculum exposes me to a broad range of content in the field of sociology.	0	0	0%			

3. Co-Curricular Options (“ Expand and improve academic and co-curricular programs to enhance global understanding, experience, and education” www.tntech.edu/strategic):

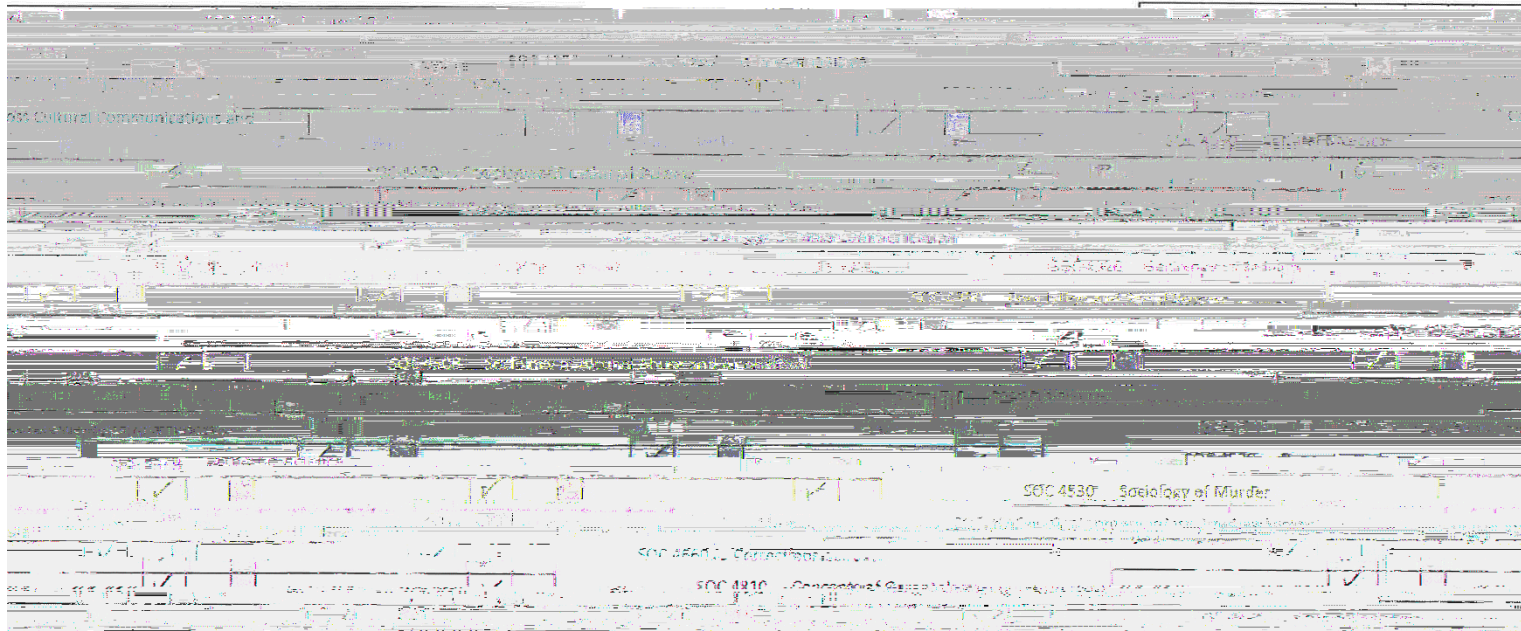
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ETS Sub-Score: Critical Thinking

Fall 2020

62.24	92.86	30.62
65.83	98.49	32.66

1. The California Critical Thinking Skills Test (CCTST) was added as a new measure of critical thinking in 2020-2021 and Sociology continues to meet its threshold of acceptability. The CCTST



CJ 3500 Wildlife Law Enforcement

Advanced Criminal Procedure

CJ 4530 Sociology of Murder

CJ 4540 Women and Crime

CJ 4911

Geographic Information Systems Applications in the Social Sciences

