## Guilford School of Theology

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## Bachelor of Arts in Sociology

## **Introduction to Sociology (3 credit hours):**

This course provides a comprehensive overview of the discipline of sociology and its core concepts and theories. Students will explore how sociologists study society, culture, and social behavior. Topics include social structures, social institutions, socialization, deviance and crime, social stratification, and globalization. Students will also learn how to think critically about social issues and how to use sociological perspectives to analyze and understand the complexities of modern society. This course is designed to lay the foundation for further study in sociology and other social sciences. The student needs to have the following: College Math I & II. Physical Science, Biology, English I & II

## **Learning Outcomes:**

Understand the origins and development of sociology as a discipline.

Identify and apply sociological concepts and theories to understand social behavior and social structures.

Analyze the impact of social, cultural, and historical factors on individuals and society.

Develop critical thinking skills to analyze and evaluate sociological arguments and research.

Apply sociological perspectives to understand and analyze contemporary social issues.

I. Foundation Courses (30 credit hours)
Introduction to Sociology
Statistics for the Social Sciences
Research Methods in Sociology
Cultural Anthropology
Social Psychology
History of Sociological Thought

II. Core Courses (45 credit hours)
Social Inequality
Demography and Population Studies
Criminology
Race and Ethnic Relations
Gender and Society
Political Sociology
Medical Sociology
Environmental Sociology
Globalization and Society

III. Electives (15 credit hours)
Social Movements
Families and Intimate Relationships
Organizations and Bureaucracy
Religion and Society
Aging and the Life Course
Urban Sociology
Education and Society