Studying Sociology at City

This Online Chat session is for anyone who is interesting in studying Sociology at City. The session will be run by academic staff and currentt students giving you the opportunity to ask questions about your subject of interest and find out what life is like as a university student. There will be a presentation at the start and at the end of the session you can type questions for the students and staff to answer and there will be interactive quizzes on student life and your subject.

Welcome to this Sociology Taster session at City, University of London. Unfortunately, we cannot have you on campus but hope that our online session will still give you a good idea of what it is like to study Sociology at City University. To give you an idea of what to expect, our session will follow this format: 1) Our academic staff have recorded a short mock lecture to give you an idea of the topics and ideas covered at university level study. We’ll begin by watching this2) We will follow this with a fun subject quiz 3) Next, you’ll be able to ask questions and have them answered by our Sociology academics. 4) There will be a university life quiz and Q&A with our Student Ambassadors. We also have campus tour videos to give you an idea of what our university campus is like. We are also running sessions on personal statements, the UCAS process, researching Universities and more: https://www.city.ac.uk/study/visit-us/city-at-higher-education-exhibitions

Recruitment Events 2019/20

We regularly visit other parts of the country as part of UCAS and Higher Education fairs. Find out when we’re near you.

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Thanks so much for joining us and bearing with us everyone! Our academics will hopefully be able to join us soon, but for now I am going to play a video you can watch :) On Mobile you will need to swipe left when a question mark pops up in order to access any polls, photos or videos that we are sharing during the session. On Microsoft Browsers, you will likely need to click the little question mark when it pops up.

is it worth doing sociology in university and getting a job as a HR officer?

This is one of the common areas that people go into from a Sociology degree.

Hi all! We hope you enjoyed that mock lecture. We will now begin our subject quiz. Note that each question only has one answer and you won’t be able to change your answer once you’ve submitted it. We will leave each question up for a little while to allow you to answer.

From which of the following perspectives might you study migration:

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How is your timetable like by doing the subjects criminology and sociology

Usually you will have 8 hours in a lecture theatre or classroom per week, and then you are expected to do 32 hours self study or studying in group per week. Think of it as a full-time job.

Is there an opportunity to combine business and sociology?

No, I am afraid not.

Answer: D - All of the above

Which of the following are reasons why people migrate?

- All of the above: 100.0%

Can you study sociology and politics combined?

At City we have a degree called International Politics and Sociology:
https://www.city.ac.uk/study/courses/undergraduate/international-politics-and-sociology

**International Politics and Sociology BSc course**

In this joint BSc, covering the core modules of both City’s Sociology and International Politics degrees, you will gain a unique approach to each subject and a broad understanding of local, national and global social relations.

Answer: All of the above

3. Which of the following consequences for sending countries is a negative consequence of migration:

- Remittances: 20.00%
- Development: 30.00%
- Brain Drain: 50.00%

Can I talk about how I had a presentation on migration? On my personal statement.
The same with everything to do with the statement, write about it if you think it has given you experience/knowledge/skills that are good preparation for the degree.

Answer: c - Brain Drain

4. Which of the following are positive consequences of migration:

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Answer: All of the above

would sociology give you a good foundation for i.e. jobs in Marketing?

Some students end up in marketing, but I don’t know whether they went into that position directly, did training or started in a company or organisation and then moved into marketing. What sociology does is train you to think critically and improve your communication skills and these are essential in that field.

5. Is chain migration

A migration theory 100.0%

Answer: A migration theory

Hope everyone enjoyed the quiz! We’ll now be turning to you to ask any questions you may have to our staff and students.

How is the course assessed?

There are different assessment methods for different courses. Most rely on coursework, but some include an exam or a mini-project.

What jobs can we become with sociology?

Common jobs are:

1. Marketing and Market research
2. Data analyst
3. HR assistant
Also what do we get more of in sociology - lectures or seminars

It is pretty even. There is usually a lecture to a big group, then students are split into seminar groups and have one seminar per course per week

Hi, how do you find sociology? Is it hard?

Hi, sociology is great, I really enjoy it. Some parts of the degree are demanding but that is the case for every degree.

Are the exams mainly essay based?

For sociology, yes. However, you may have mid term exams which may consist of smaller answered questions. This depends on your lecturer.

Is there work experience within the degree and how does it work?

The university provides opportunities to get work experience, but is not part of the degree.

How long are the lectures and seminars?

50 minutes each

1) What is a society?

A club that students can join 100.0%

I read on your website that work experience is included in the Q-step, is this correct?

Yes - if you opt onto a Q-Step pathway, you will do a workplace Data Placement in Year 2 and have the opportunity to do an international placement between Year 2 and Year 3.

How many contact hours do we get in a week?

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What are the entry requirements for sociology?

BBB at A-level

What societies are there in city?

There are many societies in City, things that you cant even imagine! you can find more information at [https://www.citystudents.co.uk/getinvolved/societies/](https://www.citystudents.co.uk/getinvolved/societies/)

Societies


Hello what is it like studying in London?

Studying in London is great. Being near enough to the City means that you have access to lots of places. You will never get bored!

Do we get off days?

It depends on the modules you pick. Most people usually have 1/2 days a week where they are not on campus

Does the course include any sections on social policy?

Policy areas including crime, poverty, employment, racism, migration are covered on different courses
Sociology taster day

https://youtu.be/N5cXGrkJkjc

Hi @user1, is there a lot of research methods/math on the course?

Hi @user2, this depends on the module you are taking. Research methods/math content is usually found in Quantitative methods modules.

What is a Q-step?

Q-Step is a £19.5 million programme designed to promote a step change in quantitative social science training. Over a five-year period from 2013, 15 universities across the UK are delivering specialist undergraduate programmes, including new courses, work placements and pathways to postgraduate study. Expertise and resources will be shared across the higher education sector through an accompanying support programme, which will also forge links with schools and employers. More information can be found here: https://www.city.ac.uk/about/schools/arts-social-sciences/sociology/city-q-step-centre

City Q-Step Centre
Find out more about City, University of London's Q-step Centre

Hi @user3 and @user4, how do you find the workload? Did you feel like most of your time was focused on studying or did you have quite a bit of free time?

Hi :) I find that the workload is manageable, but only if you take the right steps to completing it. For example, keeping up with your weekly readings. You will get used to it over time.

What do you do in the coursework?

The coursework is often an essay. Students are required to show what they have learned from their reading and from the lectures and seminars.
Is there a lot of reading?

Yes :) but hopefully you’ll find it interesting

What’s freshers week like if you’re living at home?

There are lots of events you can get involved in and don’t require you to live in accommodation :) A big proportion of City students commute from home, so lots of students will feel the same as you.

do you have different sports teams at City?

Yes we have lots and a dedicated sports facility :) [https://www.citysport.org.uk/](https://www.citysport.org.uk/)

What’s the accommodation like?

We have a range of accommodation, mostly your own room and then either shared or en suite bathrooms: [https://www.city.ac.uk/study/living-in-london/accommodation](https://www.city.ac.uk/study/living-in-london/accommodation)

**Accommodation**

Find out about accommodation options and halls of residence for students at City, University of London.
Thank you everyone for all your questions and we hope today's session was useful. If you do have any further questions then please do contact us using either our contacts page on our website: https://www.city.ac.uk/about/contact or through our Unibuddy page where you can contact staff and students: https://www.city.ac.uk/study/ask-a-student.

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General contact form for City, University of London.

**Ask our students and staff**
Speak with one of our current students and find out more about what it is like to study at City.