What makes this program special?
Sociology students have an opportunity to interact directly with their professors in all of their classes. Our small class size gives students a one-on-one experience both inside and outside the classroom.

Are there any additional admission requirements?
No additional requirements are necessary beyond being accepted to WCU.

What scholarship monies are available?
All students are considered for merit-based scholarships at the time of admission. Additional scholarships are available based on FAFSA information.

What will I be able to do with this degree when I graduate?
Sociology majors, with their broad social science background, have many career opportunities. These include positions in the private sector as consultants and in state and federal government, law enforcement, and social service and nonprofit agencies.

What are the professors like?
The Sociology professors are active in their field with many years of experience in teaching and research. Their interests range from the study of “pop culture” to child and adult abuse in Western North Carolina.

What are the students in the program doing?
Students often get opportunities to assist faculty in their research activities. Student internships have ranged from working at the Oak Ridge National Laboratory to local hospitals and nonprofit agencies.

Things you need to know
• Bachelor of arts degree or bachelor of science degree
  Requires 39 hours in the major, with 42 hours of liberal studies
• Small class sizes
• One-on-one faculty-student interaction
• Opportunities for individual student research and internships
• Sociology Club
• Alpha Kappa Delta Honor Society
• Nationally and internationally recognized faculty

Careers with this degree
• Sociologist
• Consultant
• Researcher
• Counselor
• Educator
• Law Enforcement Officer

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Will I be able to participate in internships, clubs and other extracurricular opportunities?

Students are able to work with the Sociology faculty in conducting research and attending scientific meetings. Opportunities exist for independent study and directed research. Each year, students may participate in the study abroad program. Students may participate in the Sociology Club and the WCU Chapter of the Sociology Honor Society, Alpha Kappa Delta.

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The University

A campus of the University of North Carolina system, WCU is located in a beautiful valley between the Blue Ridge and Great Smoky mountains, with convenient access to a region that offers tremendous opportunities for outdoor research and recreation. Western is an hour’s drive west of Asheville, N.C., and 2.5 hours northeast of Atlanta.

About 9,000 students are enrolled at Western, including about 1,700 graduate students. Some classes are available online for distance education, but most are offered in person on the main campus in Cullowhee, in Asheville, and at other locations throughout Western North Carolina. A combination of service learning and engagement in the community by faculty and students is a critical part of Western’s tradition of academic excellence.