



## DEFINITIVE COURSE RECORD

### Course Summary

As a Criminology and Sociology student you will draw against both courses to develop your academic understanding of the world. Below we discuss Criminology and Sociology so that you understand the courses you will engage with.

Criminology at University of Suffolk will help you to critically engage with national and international dimensions of crime and criminal justice policy and develop well informed views on notions of criminal and deviant behaviours by critically examining academic research and making informed decisions based on available evidence. To this end, you will be introduced to a variety of research methods and ethical considerations, so that you can challenge and understand the limitations and ambiguities of empirical research, whilst assessing its value. This will provide an excellent theoretical and practical platform for the completion of a third-year independent project in an area of personal or career interest.

Sociology developed with the modern world and its key task is to analyse the changing nature of our social world. Sociology at the University of Suffolk emphasises the real world and underpins skills needed for careers in the private and public sectors. You will study important aspects of the real world that are complex and challenging such as inequality, violence, unfairness, or injustice. Sociology students study these challenging areas when examining social change, globalisation, migration, gender and sexuality, technology and social theory.

By studying sociology at the University of Suffolk you will become sensitive to the wider social context of our lived experience and learn to look beyond a narrow focus on the individual in any life situation. This attention to context will allow you to make more informed decisions. Studying sociology equips students with analytical, decision making and research skills necessary for many vocations. This course will allow you to be innovative, ask awkward questions, and develop good group working skills. It is this combination that makes sociology graduates employable. It is an education for a thoughtful

Course Learning Outcomes

The following statements define what students graduating from the BSc (Hons) Criminology and Sociology course will have been judged to have demonstrated in order to achieve the award. These statements, known as learning outcomes, have been formally approved as aligned with the generic qualification descriptor for level 6 awards as set out by the UK Quality Assurance Agency (QAA).<sup>6</sup>

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