

The Hood College

Department of Sociology and **Social Work**

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Both of our programs—sociology and social work—will give you an array of timely and topical courses taught by faculty members who are caring, committed to student learning and actively engaged in research in their disciplines. They will serve as your mentors and advisors.

With a bachelor's degree in social work, you'll be able to sit for licensure to practice professionally in the state of Maryland; be prepared for a variety of entry-level positions in human services agencies and community-based organizations; and because our major is accredited by the Council on Social Work Education, you may be eligible to earn a master's degree in social work with just one additional year of graduate study.

Sociology will sharpen your ability to write, think, speak, analyze, and synthesize and organize information—all marketable skills for employers. You'll develop an understanding of how people interact with each other and within organizations, be able to work as part of a problem-solving team, and have a deeper awareness of social problems in the U.S. and around the world.

Majors and Concentrations

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- Sociology (B.A.)
- Social Work (B.A.)

Minors

- Sociology Minor
- Social Work Minor
- Social Science Research Minor
- Criminology and Delinquency Minor



Beyond the Classroom

As a student in the Department of Sociology and Social Work, you'll take part in internships or field placements, which will serve as community-based learning opportunities that will tie in classroom learning and career aspirations with real-world experience. This combination of academic and practical experience means that you'll graduate well-prepared for your first job and career. Students may also work with a faculty member on an independent study related to a specialized topic of your own choosing.

From Our Students

Caroline Kinna '17

"The program helped me develop personal growth. I feel more self-aware and confident in the way that I present myself personally and professionally. Although the program was challenging at times, I feel prepared as I begin working toward my master's degree at the University of Maryland in Baltimore. The Hood College social work program has fueled my passion to become a successful social work professional."



About Hood

Founded in 1893 in Frederick, Maryland, Hood College is a coeducational, independent, liberal arts college, which offers bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees and post-baccalaureate certificates. Home to approximately 1,200 undergraduate students from 25 states and 15 countries, Hood offers 32 majors, 50 minors, and pre-professional preparation in medicine, veterinary science, pharmacy, dentistry and law. Hood students experience small class sizes, where they receive individual attention from supportive faculty. With its proximity to Washington, D.C., Baltimore and the I-270 biotech corridor, Hood gives its students access to countless internships and research opportunities.

At Hood, we are challenging students to improve their critical thinking, communication and collaborative skills and preparing them not just for their first jobs, but for their careers. For high-achieving students, we offer a four-year honors program with a living and learning setting expanding the curriculum with an emphasis on interdisciplinary education through discussion-based seminars, collaborative projects and experiential learning opportunities. Eighty-five percent of first-year students live on campus; more than 40 campus clubs and organizations as well as 22 NCAA Division III athletic teams and two club-level athletic teams create an active and vibrant campus environment.

Hood, in addition to its exceptional undergraduate programs, also offers 19 master's degrees, 10 certificate programs and two doctoral programs. Our graduate programs are designed to work in tandem with our bachelor's degrees so that students can take advantage of five-year, dual-degree programs. Hood is located in a fantastic college town; students are within walking distance of shops, galleries and restaurants and a vibrant downtown. A tremendous alumni network offers students and graduates mentoring, connections, guidance and advice. The Princeton Review, U.S. News & World Report and many other publications have recognized Hood as an affordable top-tier institution.

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