If you consider yourself a “people person,” then studying the Social Sciences at Peninsula College is for you!

Social Sciences Subject Areas
• Anthropology
• Criminal Justice
• Economics
• History
• Political Science
• Psychology
• Social Science
• Sociology

Career Paths in the Social Sciences
• Anthropological Research
• Archaeology
• Community Development
• Counseling and Psychology
• Economics
• Government/Politics
• Historian
• Law Enforcement and Corrections
• Museum Curator
• Political Science Research
• Public Administration
• Social Science Research
• Social Work

Associate of Arts Degree Requirements
• 90 credits, including 60 credits selected from the approved list of Distribution Courses*
• English 111 and 112 (5 credits each)
• 5 credits of Mathematics from courses numbered above 107
• 15 credits in Humanities distribution
• 15 credits in Social Sciences distribution
• 15 credits in Natural Sciences distribution, including at least one laboratory course (designated by an “L” in the course number)
• Elective courses numbered 100 or higher
• A cumulative GPA of 2.00 in college-level courses

* Courses in 3 different subject areas must be selected from the course list within each distribution area.

Students pursuing an AA degree with an emphasis in the Social Sciences typically select electives from Anthropology, Criminal Justice, Economics, History, Political Science, Psychology, or Sociology. Your academic advisor can assist you with your selection of appropriate elective courses.

For More Information
For more information on Social Science studies at Peninsula College, contact us at 360-417-6340 or toll-free in Washington at 1-877-452-9277, ext. 6340.
The Social Sciences include a variety of academic and career fields that deal with human interactions, human history, and human behavior. Peninsula College offers the Associate of Arts (AA) degree for students interested in continuing their education in social science or who may be considering a career in this exciting field. Take a moment to consider some of your options.

**Anthropology**

Anthropologists view humans from both biological and cultural perspectives and are interested in the relationship between the two. Human biological and cultural evolution and the range of human behavior—from the ways people interact with their environment to their technologies, beliefs, languages, and histories—are all of interest to anthropology. Peninsula College is proud to offer an excellent program in anthropology, with a focus on a multidisciplinary approach to the cultural history of the Olympic Peninsula, its peoples, and their interaction with the environment. If anthropology is your choice, then you will have a chance to work with students and faculty from other disciplines, engage in hands-on research, and both study and experience anthropology.

**Economics**

The field of economics addresses issues related to commerce, trade, resources, and international finance, among others. At PC, students of economics may study the costs and benefits of forestry practices and timber harvesting, or the economic issues associated with international trade, or the relationships between current political events and the national economy. Our program challenges you to think critically about contemporary issues and how societies deal with limited resources. If you're interested in politics, social issues, or resource management, the study of economics is a must!

**History**

There's no such thing as a boring history class at Peninsula College! From the personal stories of the first inhabitants of the Olympic Peninsula to a global perspective on human events, you will discover that history comes alive on our campus. Everyone has a story to tell—and the history program at PC provides the context and setting for each individual's experience and background.

**Political Science**

Vote for political science as your academic choice if you're interested in politics, government, international relations, and human society in general! Political science students at PC learn how governments work and how societies around the world interact with one another in the political arena.

**Psychology**

Peer into the human mind . . . discover what makes people tick . . . explore human behavior, personality, and psychological development. Psychology students at PC develop an appreciation for the complexity of human behavior and often learn more about themselves in the process. Our psychology classes are especially relevant if you're interested in the public health fields, social work, counseling, or education. Learn more by contacting a PC advisor today!

**Sociology/Social Sciences**

Humans are, by nature, social creatures. Sociology and Social Sciences courses at PC provide up-to-the-minute perspectives on societal behavior, culture, ethnicity, diversity, aging, gender, religion, and life styles. Learn more about the global issues confronting human societies, too—war, peace, population, wilderness, indigenous peoples, and more. Students in the Social Sciences benefit from participation in the college's Studium Generale program, and they are well-prepared to become citizens of the world after experiencing PC's sociology/social sciences classes.