

Why study Sociology?

Sociology

Within the framework of the whole school curriculum, Sociology aims to develop in students a 'critical analytical and evaluative overview of the functioning of society and the contribution towards this, of the role of the institutions and organisations in society'. Students develop knowledge and understanding about society's structures, processes and issues and how sociologists study society. Furthermore, sociology aims to develop in students a critical, analytical and evaluative overview of how society influences us to become the people we are. Sociology aims to uncover how our life chances – opportunities in life - are influenced by the social groups to which we belong and organisations in society, such as families, the education system, our gender and ethnic/cultural background.