

SCHOOL OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE, LEADERSHIP AND SOCIOLOGY

For more information about the Criminal Justice program, visit the website at www.fhsu.edu/criminaljustice (<http://www.fhsu.edu/criminaljustice/>).

Society depends on criminal justice professionals to help protect and promote the common good. The Department of Criminal Justice at Fort Hays State University will prepare you for a **rewarding career in law enforcement, corrections, or the legal system**. Learn the **theory behind criminal justice practices** while **customizing your degree program** to suit your interests. Get hands-on experience (<http://www.fhsu.edu/justicestudies/hands-on-learning/>) and a **global perspective** highly valued by future employers.

Criminal Justice at FHSU

We challenge students to master crucial roles in a criminal justice system that must adapt to rapidly accelerating change—at the local, state, national, and global level.

You'll develop skills and qualities like these:

- An understanding of the nature of crime and the agencies and processes that work against it.
- Knowledge about principles that form the nation's approach to crime and the discretion needed for dealing with different cases.
- The ability to think critically and solve problems.
- The ability to communicate well, verbally and in writing.

FHSU Criminal Justice graduates lead as well as serve, and they perform with competence, innovation, and integrity. The quality of protection and security of tomorrow begins with purposeful preparation today.

Leadership Program

For more information, see our website at www.fhsu.edu/leadership/ (<http://www.fhsu.edu/leadership/>).

In the modern workplace, the need for people with leadership skills is growing. Leadership Studies programs are designed to meet this need by preparing students for leadership and supervisory roles in business, industry and public service. Very simply, Leadership Studies provides students with the knowledge and skills necessary to be effective in a variety of settings. First, students develop a deep understanding of the major elements that make successful leadership. Second, students gain important practical skills essential for success in their chosen professions and in their personal lives. Skills including interpersonal relations, problem solving, team building, collaboration, motivation, and communication are all necessary in any career option in today's world.

Programs within the Department of Leadership Studies offer students a number of advantages, including:

- a flexible curriculum that allows students to personally customize their program of study;
- program options that include a leadership certificate, minor, major, and a graduate degree program;

- educational activities include both classroom discussion and hands-on organizational and community projects and internships; and
- course work that is available both on campus and on-line.

Leadership Program at FHSU

Our department believes that **leadership can be learned**. Not only will you learn theory and critical workforce skills in the classroom, but you will also have the opportunity to apply those theories and skills through hands-on experiences (<http://www.fhsu.edu/leadership/hands-on-learning/>):

- Class activities
- Internships
- Co-Curricular programming in the Center for Civic Leadership
- Service-learning projects
- Study abroad
- Research and creative activities

The skills you learn aren't just technical—they're professional proficiencies and life skills, applicable not only to your career, but also to most situations life presents. Strong academic courses taught by dynamic faculty will give you an opportunity to put thought into action in both your career and community.

Certificates in Leadership Studies

Uncover the Natural and In-Progress Leadership Abilities Within You

Whether you are a freshman just beginning to explore credit hours and electives or a senior with little wiggle room, the Fort Hays State University Leadership Programs certificates will advance your strategic thinking and leadership IQ. Our Leadership Studies certificates are designed to enhance your collegiate experience and add value to your current degree program and subsequent career with the help of our expert staff and supportive curriculum structure.

Once students complete one of the Leadership Programs certificates, they will receive a certificate of completion that is an excellent supplement to a resume. Click here to view the certificate curriculum (<https://www.fhsu.edu/leadership/academic-programs/certificate/certificate-curriculum1.pdf>).

Sociology Program

Study, Understand, Improve

Globalization, urbanization, diversity, social unrest, terrorism, environmental change, migration, race relations, domestic relations -- this new century brings with it fantastic opportunities and potential challenges! Learn how to successfully navigate this new century and make a lasting impact in the lives of others with an undergraduate degree in sociology.

What is Sociology?

Sociology is the systematic study of social life and the social causes and consequences of human behavior. Studying sociology provides you powerful tools to comprehend and understand issues ranging from world events to relationships in your own life. With a Bachelor of Arts (BA) or Bachelor of Science (BS) in Sociology, you will develop strong critical thinking and problem-solving skills - providing you with a strong foundation for many careers (<http://www.fhsu.edu/sociology/careers/>). The Department also offers an Addictions Counseling degree track that will prepare you for Kansas licensure as an addictions counselor (LAC).

Why Choose FHSU?

Gain the knowledge and skills you need to deal with the many challenges in global and local society – and be equipped to make a "life" as well as a "living." Here are a few examples of how this happens:

- Gain a deeper understanding and appreciation of culture, society, and community; and of interplay of social structure and human interaction.
- Examine and help solve existing and new social problems through inquiry, theoretical and evidenced-based techniques, equipping you with the tools and skills you need for success in the workplace or in graduate school.
- Study with faculty who incorporate their experiences and active research agendas into the classroom, exposing you to how sociology knowledge applies in the real world.
- If you are interested in online education, take innovative classes or earn your entire sociology degree without coming to campus.
- Benefit from a wide array of sociology classes not typically available in a department our size, particularly in the areas of grant writing and case management.
- Apply the concepts you learn in the classroom to research, service and internship opportunities, which brings your studies to life and gives you valuable work experience.

Faculty & Staff

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