



**VIRGINIA BEACH CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
CHARTING THE COURSE

*Department of Teaching & Learning*  
*Parent/Student Course Information*

*Dual Enrollment Introduction to Sociology I*  
*Tidewater Community College SOC 201*  
*(SOC 201)*

*One Semester Course (One-half VBCPS credit, 3 TCC credits)*

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**COURSE DESCRIPTION**

*Introduction to Sociology I* is a dual enrollment, one-semester course providing the successful student with three college semester credits and one-half Virginia Beach City Public Schools (VBCPS) elective credit. This course introduces basic concepts and methods of sociology. It presents significant research and theory in areas such as culture, socialization, group dynamics, gender roles, deviance and social inequality. Part I of II.

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\*Tuition, fees and textbook fees are the responsibility of the student in accordance with the dual enrollment regulation (5-30.2).

**PREREQUISITE**

None

## **TOPICS OF STUDY**

- Social theory
- Research methods
- Culture
- Socialization
- Groups and Organizations
- Gender and Society
- Deviance
- Social Inequality

## **Course Learning Outcomes**

- Define and apply the sociological imagination/perspective
- Identify and apply sociological terms and concepts
- Compare and contrast the three sociological theories in sociology
- Analyze specific sociological topics utilizing the major theoretical models that are appropriate for each topic
- Summarize the four major methods by which sociologists conduct research and discuss the strengths and weaknesses of each
- Describe the role that culture plays in affecting groups as well as individuals
- Define socialization and discuss how socialization varies at different stages along the life course
- Define and discuss the functions of deviance

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