

# Social Sciences

Social Science is an umbrella term for a range of disciplines that study people from different perspectives. By studying Social Science you will acquire and develop skills that will equip you for a diverse range of career opportunities.

The Social Science Programme within the University of Abertay Dundee covers a wide range of subjects: Economics, Health, Management, Psychology, Sociology and Sport. In your first year you will study a core range of subjects ensuring you have the necessary foundation knowledge and skills. In your second and third year, you will have core subjects but also have a choice of options from a range of six possible subject pathways.

Year four involves all taught modules, 4 core and 4 options, that enhance your depth of understanding in your chosen subject areas. As you progress, you can tailor the module options to match your career ambitions. An important feature of this programme is the amount of choice you are offered and the opportunities to either maintain a broad coverage of social science subjects or to specialise and graduate with a named pathway from one of the specialist subjects.

Successful completion of Dip HE or HND in Social Sciences (or equivalent) allows direct entry to the later years of BA (Hons) Social Sciences.

**Transferable Skills** – You will gain practical skills that you can apply in a wide variety of careers. You will be proficient in e-mail and word processing, able to build databases and make effective use of the Internet, and be familiar with the specialised software relevant to your subject choices. You will be able to analyse and evaluate detailed information quickly and competently, and know how to present the material facts in a direct and concise manner. You build upon your personal strengths such as self-motivation, assertiveness, and logical and reasoned thinking; and develop important workplace skills such as time management, team working and problem solving which are abilities highly regarded by employers.

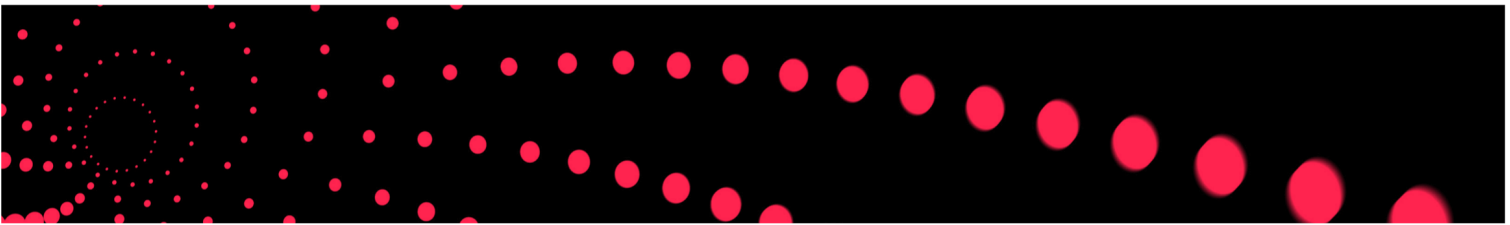
**Course**  
*BA (Hons) Social Science*

**UCAS Code**  
*L300 BA/SocSc*

**Duration**  
*Four years FT*



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### **Career Opportunities**

The Social Science degree prepares you for a variety of different career pathways. It is a sound background for graduate traineeships in the public service sector. It is also a good preparation for any “people orientated” career that requires an understanding of how people think and act and has high levels of interaction with others. Graduates have successfully entered fields such as social work, community education, teaching and lecturing, the Police service, care services, and public relations work.

### **Course Accessibility**

Students participating in this course may be involved in the following activities: team working, attending lectures and tutorials, and undertaking practical work in IT and network laboratories. For advice on course accessibility, please contact John Petrie (Student Advisor) at [j.petrie@abertay.ac.uk](mailto:j.petrie@abertay.ac.uk) or telephone (01382) 308051.

### **Further Information**

Details of the entrance requirements can be found on our website. If you would like more information on this course, please contact the Student Recruitment Office (details at the bottom of page).

*The information in this leaflet is correct at the time of going to print. As the University has a policy of regularly reviewing its courses, the course or content may be subject to change without prior notice.*

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