

Sociology GCSE

Summary

This course will deepen your understanding of key social issues as you investigate the structures and processes that shape society and human interactions. You will delve into the study of social behaviour and institutions - from examining family dynamics to exploring social inequality. You will also explore gender roles, social structures and cultural norms. With this qualification, you can develop the critical thinking and analytical skills needed to examine the world around you.

Exams usually take place in June. Before making your application, please speak to PET or your education department to find out if your prison can hold GCSE or IGCSE exams. Alternatively, you might be able to take the exams on Release on Temporary Licence (ROTL) or after your release.

Course Provider	National Extension College (NEC) Woolpack House, 70 High Street, Sawston CB22 3HJ 01223 400200 www.nec.ac.uk
Qualification Accreditation	AQA
Academic level	Level 2
PET entry requirements	Level 2 English
Format of course material	Paper-based
Structure of course	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The sociological approach (page 9) 2. Social structures, social processes and social issues (page 9) 3. Families (page 9) 4. Education 5. Crime and deviance 6. Social stratification 7. Sociological research methods
Assignments	9 written assignments
Exam	2 invigilated, closed book exams (105 minutes each)
Study hours	150
Course expiry date	18 months

Prison support requirements	Facilitate tutor support via email. This often requires scanning learner assignments and email them to their tutor.
Supplier tutor's support	Yes - accessed with prison staff support
Certificate	On successful completion of the exam, you will receive a GCSE certificate.
Progress	There are range of possible progression options including A-Levels or an Open University Access course plus courses on Social Care, Black Studies etc. Call our free Advice Line on 0800 048 7520 on Tuesdays (10-12pm and 2-4pm) and Thursdays (10am-12pm and 2-6pm).