



APPLICATION FORM: HONOURS IN SOCIOLOGY (2026 INTAKE)

1. Personal Information	
Surname	
First name(s)	
Student number	
ID number/Passport number	
Home language	
Country of issue	
Nationality	
I identify my gender as...	_____ (fill in the blank)
I identify my race as.....	_____ (fill in the blank)
Current occupation	

2. Contact details	
Email address	
Postal address	
Telephone	Home: _____ Work: _____ Cell: _____
Telephone of alternative contact if we cannot get hold of you.	Cell: _____



3. Academic qualifications

Highest qualification	
University and year of qualification	
If you have not yet completed your undergraduate: when do you expect to receive your final marks?	_____ (Day) / _____ (Month) / _____ (Year)

List of undergraduate majors

4. Planned Course Structure

The honours programme in Sociology runs over a period of one year (for full-time students) or two years (part-time students). The programme consists of four modules:

- Sociological theory
 - Social research
- } These two modules are compulsory.
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- The sociology of social movements
 - The sociology of the environment
 - Capita Selecta (offered when expertise exists)
- ☐ }
☐ } Choose two electives.
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Are you planning to do your studies full- time (over one year) or part-time (over two years)? Mark with an 'X'.	Full-time (4 modules will be taken).	Part-time (2 modules will be taken per year).
If part-time, please provide a brief motivation (the choice to do it part- time does not influence selection).		
Are you applying for the Bloemfontein or Qwaqwa campus honours programme? Mark with an 'X'.	Bloemfontein	Qwaqwa

5. Documentation to accompany this application form

Please also include in your email the following attachments:	
1	An official academic record (transcript with marks).
2	<p>A written motivational essay (500-1000 words) in which you</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• outline why you would like to pursue an honours degree in Sociology,• explain what your favourite sociological theory is, and why; and• explain how you see this theory 'playing' itself out in everyday life or social structures. <p><i>Tip: Do <u>not</u> ask ChatGPT, other software, or someone else to write your application. Candidates who submit plagiarized application materials will be rejected. Instead, be honest and give us a sense of who <u>you</u> are.</i></p>

TO DO:

Once completed, **this application form and accompanying documentation must be sent to sociologyhonours@ufs.ac.za**. A receipt documenting that a complete application has been received by the department will be sent to applicants.

Note: You must submit your application to BOTH the Sociology Department (emailing this form with attachments) AND on the University website: <https://apply.ufs.ac.za/> 

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

Email this **completed** application form to: sociologyhonours@ufs.ac.za

INFORMATION:

Please be advised that there is limited space in the honours programme. A departmental committee will consider all applications based on academic performance and written motivation (as outlined in the above table). Meeting the minimum admission requirements for the honours programme *does not guarantee* selection.

The University of the Free State's Student Academic Services will notify you whether your application was successful. If you have not been notified by 30 November 2026, please check your status on the university's website and online application platform.

Closing date for applications: 30 September 2026

Only complete applications will be considered.