

SOCIOLOGY- Career Resource Guide

Career Options

Child Development	Assist parents or schools in assessing the mental, emotional and physical needs of children through an understanding of different learning stages and behaviors.
Education	With appropriate certification, teach sociology/social studies in a classroom.
Foreign Studies	Research and study foreign cultures, languages and customs.
Health & Human Services	Help individuals with mental illnesses or disabilities.
Justice System	Work in law enforcement as police or parole officers or in prisoner rehabilitation.
Nonprofit Management	Coordinate programs, events, and fundraising efforts for a nonprofit organization.
Politics	Work with government and social issues, taxes and raising funds.
Research and Advocacy	Conduct research on societal issues/concerns, and analyze and report on findings.
Social Services	Help people function the best they can in their environment, deal with their relationships and solve personal and family problems.

Business/Industry Titles

Case Manager	Nonprofit Program Coordinator
Community Organizer	Outreach Worker
Corrections Officer	Political Staff Member
Data Analyst	Researcher
Fundraiser	Social Service Worker
Human Resources Specialist	Youth Development Coordinator

Periodicals of Interest

(Several of these resources may be found at the RMU Library.)

American Journal of Public Health
American Sociological Review
Criminology and Criminal Justice
Ethnic and Racial Studies
Family Relations
Feminist Issues
Gender and Society
Journal of Mental Health
Journal of Social History
Politics
Signs: Journal of Women in Culture and Society
Social Problems
Sociology of Education
Systems Research in Behavioral Science
The Journal of Social, Political, and Economic Studies
Urban Affairs Review

Associations/Societies

American Historical Association **	www.historians.org
American Sociological Association **	www.asanet.org
Child Care Aware of America *	www.naccrra.net
National Association of Social Workers *	www.naswdc.org
National Child Care Association	www.nccanet.org
National Education Association	www.nea.org
Pennsylvania State Education Association *	www.psea.org
Society for the Study of Social Problems	www.sssp1.org

* Contains employment listings

** Contains employment listings for members

Career & Employment Websites

AmeriCorps	www.nationalservice.gov/programs/ Americorps
Bureau of State Employment (PA)	www.employment.pa.gov
Center for Disease Control and Prevention	http://jobs.cdc.gov
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania	www.state.pa.us
Corporation for National & Community Service	www.cns.gov
Environmental Careers Organization	www.eco.org
Federal Bureau of Prisons	www.bop.gov/jobs
Human Services Career Network	www.hscareers.com
Idealist.org- Action Without Borders	www.idealist.org
Nonprofit Career Network	www.nonprofitcareer.com
Occupational Outlook Handbook (OOH) – Search specific job titles	www.bls.gov/ooH
Peace Corps	www.peacecorps.gov
Pennsylvania CareerLink	www.cwds.state.pa.us
Pennsylvania State Civil Service Commission	www.scsc.state.pa.us
The Social Service Job Site	www.socialservice.com
U.S. Department of Health & Human Services	www.hhs.gov/careers
U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development	www.hud.gov
USAJOBS – U.S. Office of Personnel Management (federal)	www.usajobs.gov

Note: A helpful list of general job search websites is available on the Internet Tip Sheet at www.rmu.edu/careercenter.

Selected RMU Activities & Organizations

Alpha Phi Omega (service organization)	Panhellenic Council (sororities)
Big Brothers/Big Sisters	Pre-Law Society
Campus Ministry Association	Psychology Club
Carpe Mundum (international organization)	Residence Hall Association
College Democrats	RMU Ambassadors
College Republicans	RMU Radio
Community Advisors	RMU-TV
First Year Student Mentors	S.A.F.E. – Student Alliance for Equality
Gamma Sigma Sigma (service sorority)	Student Government Association
History Club	Student Program Board
Interfraternity Council (fraternities)	The Patriot (yearbook)
Office of Student Civic Engagement	The Sentry (newspaper)
PA State Education Association – Student Chapter	Women's Leadership and Mentorship Program