



HOW DOES YOUR DEPARTMENT COMPARE?

A Peer Analysis from the AY 2000-2001 Survey of
Baccalaureate and Graduate Programs in Sociology

Tables

Part 1

Characteristics of Departments and Institutions

**Table 1.1. Institutional Characteristics of Programs
Offering Baccalaureate Degrees in Sociology, 2000-2001.**

	Number of Programs	Percent
Institution Type		
Research I	70	8.6
Research II	31	3.8
Doctoral I	31	3.8
Doctoral II	41	5.0
Masters I	288	35.2
Masters II	51	6.3
Baccalaureate I	103	12.6
Baccalaureate II	201	24.6
Total	816	100.0
Current Sector of Institution		
Public	352	43.3
Private	461	56.7
Total	813	100.0

Source: ASA, *Survey of Baccalaureate and Graduate Programs in Sociology*, 2000-2001.

Table 1.1 shows that a plurality of programs are found in Masters I institutions, with another quarter of programs in Baccalaureate II schools. More than half of the programs that award baccalaureate degrees are in private colleges or universities.

Table 1.2. Selected Characteristics of Programs Offering Baccalaureate Degrees in Sociology, 2000-2001.

	Number of Programs	Percent
Type of Department		
Freestanding department, offers BA/BS sociology degree	342	42.5
Freestanding department, offers more than one BA-level degree	101	12.6
Combined department or division, offering multiple BA/BS degrees	318	39.4
Combined department or division, offering single combined BA degree	44	5.5
Total	806 ^a	100.0
Department Size Groups		
Small Depts. (1 to 6 faculty)	395	48.4
Average Depts. (7 to 12 faculty)	190	23.3
Above Average Depts. (13 to 29 fac)	191	23.4
Large Depts. (30 to 60 faculty)	38	4.6
Total	816	100.0

Source: ASA, *Survey of Baccalaureate and Graduate Programs in Sociology*, 2000-2001.

^a Totals may not always add to 816 as a result of non-responses.

Table 1.2 shows that the two major types of programs in sociology are freestanding programs offering a BA in sociology, and combination programs offering several degrees. Half of all programs have seven or more faculty.

Table 1.3. Programs with Various Names by Collapsed Institution Types, 2000-2001.

Departmental Names	Percentage of Programs				
	Research I & II	Doctoral I & II	Masters I & II	Baccalaureate I & II	All Programs
Sociology alone	78.2	56.3	39.0	36.8	44.6
Anthropology & Sociology combinations	16.8	26.8	22.6	22.4	22.2
Social Sciences (includes History, Humanities, Criminal Justice, and Social Work)	0.0	4.2	6.3	15.1	8.6
Behavioral Sciences and/or Liberal Arts Combinations	1.0	1.4	8.6	11.0	7.9
Sociology and Social Work combinations	0.0	5.6	10.7	6.4	7.3
Sociology & Criminal Justice/Criminology combinations	4.0	4.2	6.0	3.7	4.7
Psychology and Sociology combinations	0.0	0.0	4.2	3.3	3.0
Sociology combined with Various other Disciplines	0.0	1.4	2.7	1.3	1.7
Total (N of Programs)	100.0 (101)	100.0 (71)	100.0 (336)	100.0 (299)	100.0 (807)

Source: ASA, *Survey of Baccalaureate and Graduate Programs in Sociology*, 2000-2001.

Table 1.3 shows that a large plurality (44 percent) of programs offering BAs in sociology use the word "sociology" in their department title, mentioning no other discipline or field of study. The remainder of programs that award BA-level degrees in sociology appear to be multi-disciplinary sites. Anthropology and sociology occur together more frequently in departmental names than various other combinations. Programs that offer sociology BAs only are most likely to be stand alone sociology programs, especially at research institutions.

Table 1.4. Departmental Structure by Institution Type, 2000-2001.

Institution Type	Type of Department w/Degree Offered (Percent of Programs)				Totals	
	Freestanding w/Sociology BA	Freestanding w/Multiple BA's	Combined w/Multiple BA's	Combined w/Single Combined BA	Percent	(N of Programs)
	Research I	77.1	10.0	11.4	1.4	100.0
Research II	58.6	13.8	27.6	0.0	100.0	(29)
Doctoral I	44.8	27.6	24.1	3.4	100.0	(29)
Doctoral II	60.0	5.0	35.0	0.0	100.0	(40)
Masters I	39.2	15.7	39.5	5.6	100.0	(286)
Masters II	23.5	19.6	56.9	0.0	100.0	(51)
Baccalaureate I	48.0	4.9	31.4	15.7	100.0	(102)
Baccalaureate II	31.0	10.7	53.8	4.6	100.0	(197)

Source: ASA, *Survey of Baccalaureate and Graduate Programs in Sociology*, 2000-2001.

Table 1.4 shows the distribution of department types at each type of institution. The highest percentage of freestanding sociology programs is found at Research I institutions and the lowest percentage is found at Masters I institutions.