



## REQUEST AND RECOMMENDATION

### THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY Bachelor of Science in Sociology

**Request:**

The Ohio State University requests approval to offer a Bachelor of Science in Sociology.

**Background:**

The Ohio State University is a public research institution located in Columbus, Ohio with regional campuses in Lima, Mansfield, Marion, Newark, and Wooster. OSU has an enrollment of more than 67,000 undergraduate, graduate and professional students. The Ohio State University is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission until its next review in 2026-27.

**Curriculum and Enrollment:**

The Bachelor of Science in Sociology is a 121 semester hour degree program in the Department of Sociology within the Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences in the College of Arts and Sciences. The program provides an option that reflects changes in the discipline nationally and preparation for graduate or professional school. The curriculum builds from core courses in major sociological theories, research and statistics with preparation in a focused area chosen from three options: 1) population dynamics and wellness; 2) criminology, law, and sociology; or 3) social inequality. In addition, students are required to participate in a substantive research experience.

An initial program enrollment of ten students is anticipated for the degree program, with growth to 40 students after four years.

**Faculty and Resources:**

Existing faculty and facility resources are sufficient to support the program.

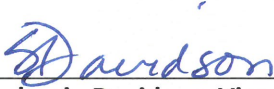
**Recommendation:**

The Bachelor of Science in Sociology meets the Chancellor's standards for baccalaureate degrees and approval is recommended. Approval will be withdrawn if, in the Chancellor's judgment, the Ohio State University fails to continue to meet the Chancellor's standards for undergraduate degree programs or receives a sanction from the Higher Learning Commission.

End of Comment Period: March 18, 2019 at 3:30 p.m.  
No comments received, recommend approval

**RECOMMENDATION**

The Vice Chancellor has verified that this institution has met the standards and requirements of the Ohio Department of Higher Education.

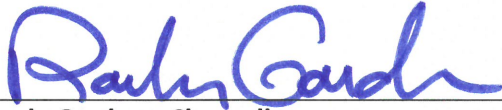


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Stephanie Davidson, Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs

Date

**APPROVAL**



3/26/2019

Randy Gardner, Chancellor

Date

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