



Faculty of Social Sciences



Information for incoming students

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DEAN WELCOME



As Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences, I would like to extend a warm welcome to all students in the University Pablo de Olavide. The Faculty of Social Sciences is the youngest Faculty of the University Pablo de Olavide, but its undergraduate degree programs have been the first to be adapted to the European Higher Education Area (EHEA). Furthermore, the Faculty of Social Sciences was the first Faculty to offer the Double Undergraduate Degree in Political and Administration Science and Sociology and the Double Undergraduate Degree in Social Work and Social Education.

This has been made possible not only due to the hard work of the current professors, but also due to a team of great professionals in the field of research, who were involved in the setting up of the “Escuela de Trabajo Social” (School of Social Work) in 1999. These professionals were also pioneers in launching the pilot project to test the introduction of the Bologna Process.

Currently, the Faculty of Social Sciences offers high-level degree programs thanks to this previous experience with the Bologna Process. The



Faculty of Social Sciences offers five different programs at undergraduate level: Degree in Social Education, Degree in Social Work, Degree in Sociology, Joint Degree in Social Work and Social Education, Joint Degree in Political and Administration Science and Sociology and Joint Degree in Social Work and Sociology. All of these undergraduate degrees are fully adapted to the European Higher Education Area (EHEA).

Furthermore, it is important to highlight that this Faculty works on an inter- and multidisciplinary basis. The following departments are represented in our degree programs: “Public Law”, “Anthropology, Basics Psychology and Public Health”, “Education and Social Psychology”, “Geography”, “History and Philosophy”, “Social Work and Social Services” and “Economics, Quantitative Methods and Economic History”. The University Pablo de Olavide (through the Faculty of Social Sciences and the Centre for Postgraduate Studies) offers a wide range of undergraduate, postgraduate and research qualifications related to the Social Sciences.

Finally, it should be mentioned that the active participation of our students in a range of international mobility programs makes possible to develop a complex network of Social Service organizations. Our undergraduate programs also offer practical courses with internships in a broad range of social and educational institutions, NGOs and social entities. This networks help to improve the employability of students and the research competence of professors of this Faculty.

Thank you for choosing to study with us!

Professor Rosa Díaz Jiménez

Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences

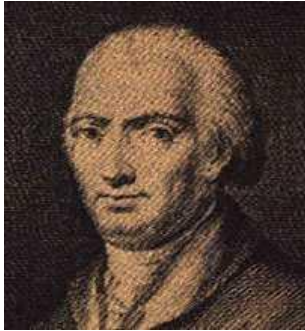
2. Our University

The University Pablo de Olavide, founded in 1997, is one of the three public universities of Seville and one of the youngest public universities in Spain. The University has a population of more than 10,000 students and offers undergraduate and graduate programs in a variety of academic fields.

It is located in a single campus equipped with the most modern technologies, just a few miles from Seville's city center.



Our young university combines teaching, research, and social and sport activities in its 140 ha, which makes it a different alternative.



The University is named after the Spanish-Peruvian politician Pablo de Olavide (1725–1803), who contributed notably to planning the city of Seville.

3. Campus Map



4. Buildings Guide

Building 1: Cafeteria

Building 2: Deans' offices

Building 6: CIC (Personal Attention for free Wi-Fi configuration)

Building 14: CEUPO (Student Council)

Building 18: "Celestino Mutis": C. A. S. A. (Centre of Attention and Service to the Student); Sports Service office, Language Services office; Bank; Bookstore; Cafeteria; Copy shop; etc.

Building 25: UPO's Central Library (Free Access Computers)

Building 27: Gym

Building 45: ARIC (Department of International Relations and Cooperation) and CEDEP (Centre for Postgraduate Studies)

5. Getting Here

The University Pablo de Olavide is located at km. 1 on the highway to Utrera, close to many major transport links.

- *By Metro:* The metro of Seville currently has one line and in the future will have three more. Line 1 has a stop at University Pablo de Olavide, and it goes from Aljarafe to Dos Hermanas, passing through Seville's city center. You can take the subway from different stops. You can find more information on <http://www.metro-sevilla.es/es/>.
- *By Bus:* The bus lines to Pablo de Olavide University from Seville's city center are 38 and M-130. Information about these lines can be found on www.tussam.es.
- *By Bicycle:* Seville has a bicycle rental service called *Sevici*. Simply get a card and you can pick up and drop off a bike at any Sevici stop. More information on <http://en.sevici.es/>.

Furthermore, the University Pablo de Olavide has launched its own bicycle rental service this year, called UPOBici. You can find more information on http://www.upo.es/sdupo/Alquiler_de_bicis/index.jsp.



Our address

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6. Faculty of Social Sciences

The Faculty of Social Sciences is responsible for all the academic issues you may have to face during your stay here. If you have any doubts or questions about timetables, credits, validation, etc., you can ask our professors for any information regarding these matters. For any other business, please contact the Department of International Relations and Cooperation (ARIC, Área de Relaciones Internacionales y Cooperación), located in building 45, first floor.

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6.1. Social Education

A social educator is a professional who carries out a social and educational intervention with people and their life contexts in order to achieve a full personal and social development. In that way, people will be able to participate, in a responsible way, in different social and community areas together with many other professionals to carry out a function of social and educational intervention.

This job profile involves the following key functions:

- Design, development and evaluation of socio-educational programs and projects.
- Management and control of socio-educational institutions resources.
- Socio-educational development and promotion.

- Social, cultural and educational mediation.
- Analysis and research of socio educational contexts.
- Training of agents for the socio-educational intervention.

The undergraduate degree in Social Education is aimed at:

1. Training in knowledge, skills, tools and attitudes that contribute to the development of competences in:

A. Explanation and understanding of the theoretical and practical foundations of educational processes to be carried out with different groups of people in different contexts.

B. Planning and management of institutions and services in which educational practices are developed, adapting their design and development to the characteristics, needs and demands of individuals and groups.

C. Implementation and evaluation of educational projects for different people and groups, emphasizing in dynamics of communication, participation, integration and socialization, as well as in the promotion of a civic coexistence.

2. Inform and promote the awareness of the agents, resources and processes that define and contextualize the professionalism and job performance of educational work in different contexts. This would require the adoption of a holistic view of the education of people throughout the life cycle in every area of the educational intervention.

3. Development of the critical capacity and ethical responsibility of the students in the analysis of social realities, of knowledge and skills which refer to the research and

educational activities, inserting their actions from the perspective of the social transformation.

Teaching in small groups and a methodology adapted to the European Higher Education allow students to master a number of essential skills to develop critical thinking and ethical responsibility in the analysis of the social realities.

This knowledge will open the way of our students for future integration into the labor market as a social educator.

Career opportunities:

The educational and competence objectives on our Plan of Studies are designed so that graduate students will be capable of carrying out their professional activity in a responsible and efficient way in the following fields:

- Community development and creation of social networking
- Socio-cultural animation and cultural management
- Socio-educational intervention in all social contexts (family, school and work)
- Education for leisure and free time
- Socio-educational intervention in civic education (environmental education, health, gender, road, intercultural, international cooperation, etc.)
- Adult and elderly education
- Socio-educational actions with minorities and disadvantaged social groups

This undergraduate degree can also lead to access to a Master and Doctoral program.

6.2. Sociology

The overall objective of the undergraduate degree in Sociology is to train students with the theoretical and methodological conceptual foundations needed for the scientific knowledge of society and needed to contribute to social welfare.

Undergraduates with training in Sociology will be able to:

- Become familiar with the major theories of human society and its social dynamics, taking into account the main sociological schools.
- Analyze the evolution and transformations of contemporary societies, incorporating interdisciplinary knowledge.
- Know the structures and functioning of social organizations and the main social actors.
- Develop the necessary skills to apply these concepts and skills in their professional practice.
- Acquire the technical skills necessary to design and implement social research projects.

Career opportunities:

Sociology undergraduates have high levels of employment in Spain: around 81% are in paid employment situation and at least an additional 7% more are working in the so-called "Third Sector".

The main areas of employability of graduates in Sociology are: Social Intervention, Applied Social Research, Education, Labour Organization and Public Policies.

Furthermore, there is a great demand for Sociology undergraduates in Andalusia, especially in government (Junta de Andalucía) and other political entities (political

parties, associations, etc.). It is important to take into account the presence of numerous companies engaged in market studies, opinion surveys, marketing, advertising, etc.

This undergraduate degree can also lead to access to a Master and Doctoral program.

6.3. Social Work

This undergraduate degree aims to train social work professionals with a broad understanding of social structures and processes and human behavior. With this training, students are prepared to:

- Take part in different social and institutional contexts.
- Participate in the formulation and evaluation of policies, services and social initiatives.
- Contribute to active citizenship through empowerment and to ensure human and social rights.
- Develop the quality of life and the social welfare.

Career opportunities:

- Social Services
- Health
- Justice
- Education
- Third sector

- Training and technical support: supervision of students and professionals, continuing education, technical support, etc.
- Other areas of intervention, such as planning of Social Welfare services, social expertise, management and evaluation of social policies, prevention of occupational risks, etc.

This undergraduate degree can also lead to access to a Master and Doctoral program.

6.4. Social Work and Social Education

The Double Degree in Social Work and Social Education aims to provide a solid foundation that will enable students and social workers to develop intervention and mediation social and educational actions in different scenarios.

The Double Degree is designed from a global perspective:

- Students will access the key knowledge of the social sciences
- Students will acquire a range of techniques and methods to ensure the future employability of our undergraduates: assessment techniques, quality and innovation for social cohesion, research with diverse groups, the use of ICTs and the use of diverse methods and techniques related to Social Research.

With this training, students are prepared to:

- Take part in different social and institutional contexts.
- Participate in the formulation and evaluation of policies, services and social initiatives.
- Contribute to active citizenship through empowerment and to ensure human and social rights.
- Working to prevent social problems.
- Design, development and evaluation of socio-educational programs and projects.
- Management and control of socio-educational institutions resources.
- Socio-educational development and promotion.
- Social, cultural and educational mediation.
- Analysis and research of socio.educational contexts.
- Training of agents for the socio-educational intervention.

Undergraduate students will be capable of carrying out their professional activity in a responsible and efficient way in the following fields:

- Community development and creation of social networking
- Socio-cultural animation and cultural management
- Socio-educational intervention in all social contexts (family, school and work)
- Education for leisure and free time
- Socio-educational intervention in civic education (environmental education, health, gender, road, intercultural, international cooperation, etc.)

- Adult and elderly education
- Socio-educational actions with minorities and disadvantaged social groups

This undergraduate degree can also lead to access to a Master and Doctoral program.

6.5. Social Work and Sociology

The double degree in Social Work and Sociology, with a duration of five years, gives students a good opportunity to acquire all the skills of both undergraduate degrees simultaneously.

Students will receive an extensive training in diagnosis and intervention as well as in social research. They will master a number of skills and knowledge required to develop critical skills and ethical responsibility in the analysis of social realities.

This training will be accompanied by professional practices and by a wide range of academic exchanges with Spanish and foreign universities.

Career opportunities:

Applied research and market research.

Human resources.

Social intervention.

Design and evaluation of public policies.

Development cooperation.

6.6. Political and Administration Science and Sociology

The Double Degree in Political and Administration Science and Sociology has been designed in a solid and innovative way to ensure equipping students with all the skills of each undergraduate degree.

There is a great demand for Sociology undergraduates in Andalusia, especially in government (Junta de Andalucía) and other political entities (political parties, associations, etc.). It is important to take into account the presence of numerous companies engaged in market studies, opinion surveys, marketing, advertising, etc. To the foregoing, we have to add career opportunities, such as Social Intervention, Applied Social Research, Education, Labour Organization and Public Policies (especially in Diplomatic Corps). Furthermore, undergraduates will be able to work as international o national analyst and consultant, coordinator/manager in a governmental or non-governmental organisation, local development agent, among others.

This undergraduate degree can also lead to access to a Master and Doctoral program.

7. Useful Links

University Pablo de Olavide web site:

<<http://www.upo.es/portal/impe/web/portada?lang=en>>

Faculty of Social Sciences web site: <www.upo.es/fcs>

ARIC (Department of International Relations and Cooperation) → Information for foreign students <http://www.upo.es/aric/estudiantes_ext/english/index.jsp>

Seville Tourist Information:

<<http://www.turismosevilla.org/opencms2/opencms/en/index.html>>

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