



## Message from the Dean

[Welcome to orientation](#) and to the School of Social and Behavioral Sciences (SOBL) at Stockton University. Undergraduate degree programs are offered in [Criminal Justice](#), [Economics](#), [Political Science](#), [Psychology](#), [Social Work](#), and [Sociology & Anthropology](#) as well as in four minors - [Behavioral Neuroscience](#), [Childhood Studies](#), [Gerontology](#), and [Victimology and Victim Services](#) (program minors are also available in Anthropology, Economics, Political Science, and Sociology). When you finish your undergraduate degree you may wish to pursue a Masters degree in one of our graduate programs - Counseling, Criminal Justice, or Social Work. (You might as well start planning now!)

Our [faculty](#) have a strong interdisciplinary interest coupled with a commitment to maintaining the strengths and standards of the traditional academic disciplines. SOBL programs offer the breadth and depth of a typical degree while placing an emphasis on teaching and faculty-mentored student research.

All programs within the [School of Social and Behavioral Sciences](#) thoroughly prepare students in their professional disciplines while maintaining a strong connection to the liberal arts tradition of the University. Our students graduate with expertise in their content areas as well as with skills in critical thinking, writing, empirical analysis, and the ability to work collaboratively within a diverse workplace. SOBL graduates are civic and social justice-minded and engage with communities both local and global. One such example is our collaboration with The Washington Center; Stockton University sends more students to The Washington Center for internships in Washington, DC than any other university in the United States!

SOBL faculty excel in the classroom by providing class experiences tailored to the needs of our students. Out of the classroom, we also have a broad range of student activities which allow students to make connections to the community and provide leadership development opportunities. Stockton's faculty and Centers are connected to Atlantic City and New Jersey as well as communities across the nation and our globe. In accordance with our mission, SOBL faculty and staff have a commitment to understanding and advocating for economic and social justice for all. These goals are accomplished while maintaining high academic and ethical standards, and embracing diversity.

Educating south Jersey's next generation has been part of Stockton University since its beginnings 50 years ago. I am pleased to welcome you, our newest Osprey, to our campus community!

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