FAMOUS SOCIOLOGY MAJORS

Though your parents may not believe it, there are thousands of accomplished people with BA, MA, and PhD degrees in sociology, who are not necessarily Sociologists with a capital "S." Below is a list of just a few.

Politics:

- Rev. Ralph Abernathy
- Saul Alinsky, father of community organizing
- Emily Balch, 1946 Nobel Peace Prize winner (a social worker and social reformer)
- Richard Barajas, Chief Justice, Texas Supreme Court
- Saul Bellow, novelist
- Shirley Chisholm, former Congresswoman from NY
- Tim Holden, Congressman from PA
- Rev. Jesse Jackson
- Rev. Martin Luther King
- Cardinal Theordore McCarrick, Archbishop of Washington, DC
- Barbara Mikulski, US Senator from MD
- Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan, U.S. Senator of NY.
- Michelle Obama, former First Lady
- Francis Perkins, social reformer and former Secretary of Labor
- Ronald Reagan (double major in sociology and economics)
- Brett Schundler, former mayor of Jersey City
- Annette Strauss, former mayor of Dallas
- Maxine Waters, Congresswoman from LA

- Wellington Webb, former mayor of Denver
- Roy Wilkins, former head of NAACP
- <u>Arts</u>:
- Dan Aykroyd, actor/Blues Brother
- Saul Bellow, novelist
- James Blunt, singer
- Guy Carawan folk musician and musicologist
- Stephanie Izard, Chicago Chef and first female winner of Bravo's Top Chef
- Bong Joon-ho, Korean director
- Regis Philbin, TV host
- Paul Shaffer, bandleader on *David Letterman Show* (and before that, *Saturday Night Live*)
- Dinah Shore, singer
- Ruth Westheimer, the "sex doctor"
- Robin Williams, actor/comedian

Sports:

Eric Bjornson, Dallas Cowboys Brian Jordan, Atlanta Braves Alonzo Mourning, Miami Heat Ahmad Rashad, Sportscaster Bryant Stith, Boston Celtics Bobby Taylor, Eagles cornerback Joe Theisman, NFL quarterback *Updated 7-31-18*