

## Master of Arts in Sociology

## **Admission Requirements**

The applicant must meet the School of Graduate Studies' current minimum general admission requirements as published in the graduate catalog.

- 1. A four-year bachelor's degree from a recognized college or university.
- A minimum of twenty semester hours of undergraduate sociology or related fields with an overall grade point average of 3.00 (A=4.0), a GPA of at least 3.25 for the last two years of undergraduate study; and 3.25 GPA in their major.
- 3. Satisfy the School of Graduate Studies' English Language Proficiency requirements as published in the graduate catalog.
- Approved status presupposes some undergraduate training in methods of social research, statistics, and sociological theory with a minimum grade of B in each.

## **Degree Requirements**

**Total Credits** 

- A minimum of 30 semester credits, including the credits granted for a scholarly project.
- 2. At least one-half of the credits must be at or above the 500-level.
- 3. A maximum of one-fourth (usually 8-9 semester credits) of the credit hours required for the degree may be transferred from another institution.
- 4. Program work must include 9 credits in elective courses (such as Soc. 592, Soc. 594, or others as determined by student and their advisor), which may also include approved courses from other designated university departments.
- Program must include a systematic treatment of sociological theory plus sufficient training in research methods and statistical techniques to assure understanding and competence in their use.
- 6. Required Courses: (Grade of "B" or better is required for all of the following) Code Credits SOC 510 Sociological Inquiry 3 SOC 520 Advanced Research Design 3 SOC 512 Advanced Sociological Theory 3 SOC 521 Advanced Statistical Methods SOC 995 Scholarly Project in Sociology 3 Select two or more of the following: **SOC 528** Seminar in Research Methods **SOC 538** Seminar in Social Problems (Repeatable when topics vary) SOC 539 Seminar in Sociology (repeatable when topics vary) SOC 540 Seminar in Social Policy 9 Credits of electives as determined by the student and their advisor. 9

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