

# Master of Arts in Sociology

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## 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.
2. 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.
4. 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

1. 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.
5. 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	Title	Credits
SOC 510	Sociological Inquiry	3
SOC 520	Advanced Research Design	3
SOC 512	Advanced Sociological Theory	3
SOC 521	Advanced Statistical Methods	3
SOC 995	Scholarly Project in Sociology	3
Select two or more of the following:		6
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
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>30</b>