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The Graduate Sociology Program offers a curriculum that enables students to analyze, critically evaluate, and engage in the planning of solutions to problems that evolve from patterns of human social interaction. The graduate program prepares students for advanced study (e.g., Ph.D.) in sociology, criminology, law, and social welfare.



SOCIAL WELFARE

Sociology students receive a strong training in the causes and consequences of poverty, social injustice, and cultural divides. Theory and application are key components of all courses. Majors leave the program with a practical understanding of social issues.

Careers: Non-profit work, social welfare agencies, social work, human resources, public health, criminal justice, and counseling.

POLICY ADVOCACY

With a strong foundation in the social sciences, Sociology majors are critical thinkers, problem solvers, and have a solid background in research and writing.

Careers: State and local government, law, business, non-profit organizations, federal employment, public policy, and community development.



HUMAN SERVICES

With skills in organizational development and applied research, Sociology majors are adaptive and have a strong appreciation for the human condition.

Careers: Human resources, business, education, marketing, entertainment, real estate, training and development.

36 Credits: The graduate SOCG Program offers courses leading to the Masters of Arts degree. A thesis and non-thesis option are available.

Courses in: Social theory, sociology of minorities, sociology of drug use, criminology, social deviance, sociology of the family, social psychology, political sociology, urban sociology, and social change

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Required Courses: (9 Hours) SOCG 5123 Social Statistics SOCG 5213 Classical Social Theory SOCG 5223 Research Methods

SOCG Concentration Electives: (21 Hours Non-Thesis / 15 Thesis) SOCG 5243 Urban Sociology SOCG 5263 Sociology of Education SOCG 5333 Criminology SOCG 5353 Seminar in Race Relations SOCG 5413 Contemporary Sociological Theory SOCG 5423 Social Stratification SOCG 5423 Social Stratification SOCG 5433 Theory of Criminal Justice System SOCG 5443 Social Movements SOCG 5453 Complex Organizations SOCG 5553 Sociology of Gender and Sex Roles

Thesis Option (6 Credit Hours) SOCG 5613 Thesis SOCG 5623 Thesis

A total of *36 semester* hours of graduate course work must be completed in graduate studies. For students opting to complete a thesis, the requirements consist of 30 hours of course work and 6 hours of supervised thesis hours. Of the 30 hours of course work, 9 hours are core requirements, 15 hours are sociology support / elective requirements, and the remaining 6 hours may be taken in a related field with the consent of the division head.

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