

Sociology (PhD)

Graduate study is offered in theory; education; health; family; race and ethnicity; gender; political sociology, development and globalization; crime, law, and deviance; demography; and work, occupations, and organizations.

Graduate Handbook

Graduate handbook information is updated and maintained by each program. Graduate handbooks are available within each program's office and [online](#). Please contact the program with concerns or questions.

Admissions

To be admitted to candidacy for the doctoral degree, the student must have completed all master's degree requirements and the doctoral course requirements, must pass a comprehensive examination in an area of specialization, and must defend a dissertation proposal (also called a dissertation prospectus). The degree is awarded after completion and defense of the dissertation. Most students need three or four years beyond the master's degree to complete the doctorate.

Total Hours Required: 42

Requirements

The doctoral program requires at least two dissertation courses. The coursework requirements include the 24 semester hours of work required for the master's degree and a variety of methodological and substantive courses in sociology. Specific course requirements may vary depending on the demography or the non-demography program of work. Additional information is available from the department.

Code	Title	Hours
All students must also follow the following requirements and policies:		
Graduate Liberal Arts Requirements		
Graduate University Requirements		