

SOCIOLOGY, PH.D.

Sociology and Criminology

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Sociology Program Information

The Department of Sociology and Criminology offers programs that lead to the Master of Arts and Doctor of Philosophy degrees. Both programs provide training in the core areas of the discipline (theory and research methods) and offer a wide range of areas of specialization and theoretical approaches.

Admission Information

Admission to the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies

Application and Admission Procedures are found in the Academic Guide (<https://catalog.umanitoba.ca/graduate-studies/academic-guide/application-admission-registration-policies/>).

Admission requirements for doctoral students are found in the Doctor of Philosophy General Regulations (<https://catalog.umanitoba.ca/graduate-studies/academic-guide/doctor-philosophy-general-regulations/>) section of the Guide.

Sociology Ph.D. Admission Requirements

Students who wish to enter the Doctor of Philosophy program must have completed a Master's degree in Sociology or a closely related cognate field that includes substantial sociological content and a strong foundation in sociological research methods and theory.

Application Information

Students should complete and submit their online application with supporting documentation by the date indicated on the Sociology Ph.D. program of study (<https://umanitoba.ca/explore/programs-of-study/sociology-phd/>) page.

Degree Requirements

Students must complete:

- A minimum of 18 credit hours of coursework (including 3 credit hours in Theory and 6 credit hours in Research Methods);
- A passing grade in two comprehensive examinations in two different subject areas, chosen from the following: Sociological Theory; Sociological Methods; Criminology and Social Justice; Culture and Social Relations; Population Health and Wellness; Power, Privilege, and Resistance, Global Sociology; Social Policy and Practice.
- Successful defense of a dissertation proposal; and
- Successful defense of the completed dissertation.

Expected Time to Graduate: 4 years

Progression Chart

Course	Title	Hours
Year 1		
GRAD 7300	Research Integrity Tutorial	0
GRAD 7500	Academic Integrity Tutorial	0
Select two of the following Methods courses: ¹		6
SOC 7240	Seminar in Selected Topics in Research and Methods	
SOC 7390	Survey Research Methods	
SOC 7400	Advanced Quantitative Research Methods	
SOC 7420	Qualitative Research Methods for Sociological Inquiry	
SOC 7470	Evaluating Social Programs	
Select one of the following Theory courses:		3
SOC 7190	Seminar in Selected Topics in Sociological Theory	
SOC 7280	Seminar in Theoretical Criminology	
SOC 7320	Seminar in Political Sociology	
SOC 7430	Seminar in Classical Sociological Theory	
SOC 7440	Seminar in Contemporary Sociological Theory	
SOC 7480	Social Inequality	
Select three courses designated SOC 7000 ¹		9
Hours		18
Year 2		
GRAD 8010	Doctoral Candidacy Examination ²	0
Hours		0
Years 3-4		
GRAD 8000	Doctoral Thesis	0
Hours		0
Total Hours		18

¹ Students may take courses outside the department with permission from the Graduate Chair. (See Supplementary Regulations for details.)

Auxiliary courses may be taken with permission from the student's advisor and the Graduate Chair. Reading courses are permitted only under exceptional circumstances, and require permission from the Graduate Chair and Department Head.

² The Doctoral Examination is comprised of 2 Comprehensive Exams each of which normally take 4-6 months of preparation.

Registration Information

Students should familiarize themselves with the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies 'GRAD' courses applicable to their program (<https://catalog.umanitoba.ca/graduate-studies/registration-information/>). If you have questions about which GRAD course(s) to register in, please consult your home department/unit.

All new and returning Pre-Masters, M.A., and Ph.D. students must meet with the Chair of Graduate Studies in Sociology to discuss their program of study (usually in late August). The Graduate Program Assistant will then register the student. All course additions and withdrawals must be arranged in a similar fashion.

Regulations

Students must meet the requirements as outlined in both Supplementary Regulation and BFAR documents as approved by Senate.

Supplementary Regulations

Individual units may require specific requirements above and beyond those of the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, and students should consult unit supplementary regulations (<https://umanitoba.ca/graduate-studies/supplementary-regulations/>) for these specific regulations.

Bona Fide Academic Requirements (BFAR)

Bona Fide Academic Requirements (BFAR) (<https://catalog.umanitoba.ca/graduate-studies/academic-guide/academic-performance-general/#BFAR>) represent the core academic requirements a graduate student must acquire in order to gain, and demonstrate acquisition of, essential knowledge and skills.

All students must successfully complete:

- GRAD 7300 prior to applying to any ethics boards which are appropriate to the student's research or within the student's first year, whichever comes first; and
- GRAD 7500 within the first term of registration;

unless these courses have been completed previously, as per Mandatory Academic Integrity Course (<https://catalog.umanitoba.ca/graduate-studies/academic-guide/academic-performance-general/#GRAD7500>) and Mandatory Research Integrity Online Course (<https://catalog.umanitoba.ca/graduate-studies/academic-guide/academic-performance-general/#GRAD7300>).

Students must also meet additional BFAR requirements (<https://umanitoba.ca/graduate-studies/student-experience/core-academic-requirements/#additional-requirements-by-program>) that may be specified for their program.

General Regulations

All students must:

- maintain a minimum degree grade point average of 3.0 with no grade below C+,
- meet the minimum and not exceed the maximum course requirements, and
- meet the minimum and not exceed the maximum time requirements (in terms of time in program and lapse or expiration of credit of courses).