

Sociology, PhD

Academic Plans

Sample Plan of Study

Sample plans represent one way to complete a program of study. Actual course selection and sequence will vary and should be discussed with an academic advisor. For additional sample plans, see MyUI.

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| Course | Title | Hours |
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| Academic Career | | |
| Any Semester | | |
| 72 s.h. must be graduate level coursework. More information is included in the General Catalog and on department website. ^{a, b} | | |
| Hours | | 0 |
| First Year | | |
| Fall | | |
| SOC:5110 | History of Sociological Theory ^c | 3 |
| SOC:6170 | Introduction to Sociological Data Analysis ^c | 3 |
| SOC:7270 | Scholarly Professionalism and Integrity I | 2 |
| Elective course ^d | | 3 |
| Hours | | 11 |
| Spring | | |
| SOC:5160 | Research Design and Methods ^c | 3 |
| SOC:6180 | Linear Models in Sociological Research ^c | 3 |
| SOC:7271 | Scholarly Professionalism and Integrity II | 2 |
| Elective course ^d | | 3 |
| Hours | | 11 |
| Second Year | | |
| Fall | | |
| Advanced Theory course ^{c, e} | | 3 |
| Elective course ^d | | 3 |
| Elective course ^d | | 3 |
| Hours | | 9 |
| Spring | | |
| SOC:7030 | Readings and Research Tutorial | 3 |
| Elective course ^d | | 3 |
| Elective course ^d | | 3 |
| Hours | | 9 |
| Third Year | | |
| Fall | | |
| SOC:7170 or SOC:7175 or SOC:6175 | Advanced Statistical Modeling of Data ^f or Social Science Research: Big Data or Qualitative Methods | 3 |
| SOC:7030 | Readings and Research Tutorial | 6 |
| Hours | | 9 |

Spring

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| SOC:6175 or SOC:7170 or SOC:7175 | Qualitative Methods ^f or Advanced Statistical Modeling of Data or Social Science Research: Big Data | 3 |
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| SOC:7030 | Readings and Research Tutorial | 6 |
| Hours | | 9 |

Fourth Year

Any Semester

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| Exam: Doctoral Comprehensive Exam ^g | | 0 |
| Hours | | 0 |

Fall

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| Prospectus Defense | | |
| SOC:7090 | PhD Dissertation | 7 |
| Hours | | 7 |

Spring

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| SOC:7090 | PhD Dissertation | 7 |
| Exam: Doctoral Final Exam ^h | | 7 |
| Hours | | 7 |

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| Total Hours | | 72 |
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a The graduate program provides rigorous training in theory and methods as well as in these substantive areas: Crime, Law, and Social Control; Gender and Family; Social and Political Organizations; Social Psychology. Students will work with a faculty advisor to determine an area of concentration according to the individual student's interests.

b Students must complete specific requirements in the University of Iowa Graduate College after program admission. Refer to the Graduate College website and the Manual of Rules and Regulations for more information.

c Grade of B-minus or higher is required.

d Complete 18 s.h. of electives; see the General Catalog for list of approved courses. Work with faculty advisor to determine appropriate graduate level coursework and sequence.

e Take one advanced theory course such as SOC:6210. Selected course must be approved by director of graduate studies.

f Students must complete two of these courses with grades of B-minus or higher. Another course may be substituted with approval from the director of graduate studies.

g Consists of five questions prepared by the student's exam committee. Students should pass the comprehensive examination before the the start of their fourth year in the program.

h Dissertation defense.