

SOCIOLOGY

Graduate Program Head	Michelle Frisco
Program Code	SOC
Campus(es)	University Park (Ph.D., M.A.)
Degrees Conferred	Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) Master of Arts (M.A.) Dual-Title Ph.D. and M.A. in Sociology and Demography Dual-Title Ph.D. in Sociology and Social Data Analytics
The Graduate Faculty	View (https:// secure.gradsch.psu.edu/gpms/? searchType=fac&prog=SOC)

The graduate program in Sociology is for students seeking a Ph.D. degree. Students may either enter the program with an M.A. degree or earn that degree along the way to the Ph.D. program. The program offers advanced education for students who intend to pursue academic careers in sociology or who aspire to non-academic positions.

The graduate program emphasizes theory and research on social theory, research methodology, statistics, and substantive specialties: demography; family; social networks; quantitative methods; institutions and culture; social inequality; urban, community, and spatial sociology; immigration and incorporation; and health and life course.

Students may also elect to pursue a dual-title M.A. and Ph.D. in Sociology and Demography; a dual-title Ph.D. in Sociology and Social Data Analytics; and a minor in Social Thought. A separate Ph.D. program in Criminology (<http://bulletins.psu.edu/graduate/programs/majors/criminology/>) is also housed within the department.

Course work outside the department is encouraged. Areas of study related to sociology, such as rural sociology; geography; economics; statistics; anthropology; political science; labor and employment relations; women, gender, and sexuality studies; biobehavioral health; and human development and family studies are available at the University.

Special department-related research and training facilities include the Population Research Institute (PRI).