

Sociology: PhD

This program aims to prepare students for a career in research and teaching. The program is designed so that students will deepen and broaden their knowledge in sociological theory and methodology as well as in one of the four substantive fields offered. Students will also become highly independent sociological thinkers and skilled researchers capable of pushing the boundaries of knowledge in their chosen field.

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PROGRAM

Students are required to complete at least four courses during the first two semesters of study, including the PhD Professional Seminar, Advanced Topics in Sociological Theory and Advanced Issues in Mixed Research Methodologies. Students must also successfully complete a qualifying exam and a research proposal, and produce and orally defend a dissertation on a topic that has been approved by the advisory committee. Students will be given the opportunity to actively engage in the discipline through activities such as a teaching and research assistantships, and the preparation and presentation of papers at conferences.

RESEARCH FIELDS

- Environment, Food and Communities
- Work and Organization
- Crime and Social Control
- Identities and Social Inclusion

COLLABORATIVE SPECIALIZATIONS

All of our fields of research can be combined with a specialization in International Development Studies.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Applicants are expected to have a recognized MA degree in Sociology with high academic standing (80% or higher). They are normally expected to have completed Masters-level courses in sociological theory, and qualitative/quantitative methodology courses in Sociology.



Community event output that G. Benchimol (2019 PhD Graduate) led in Arizona as part of a panel to discuss sexual victimization in Jewish workplaces and communal spaces. (Photo Credit: Maya S. Horowitz, 2019)

Applicants must submit a statement of intent and two academic letters of reference.

Applicants are strongly encouraged to contact a faculty member to serve as a potential advisor prior to applying to the program.

FUNDING

The program is committed to providing a minimum stipend of \$20,000 for all doctoral students for a period of four years.

Students are guaranteed financial support through teaching assistantships and/or scholarships. Students also have the opportunity to participate as research assistants on various projects when available.

Application Deadline:

[See website for dates](#)

Entry: Fall

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN:

- Crime and Social Control
- Applied Qualitative or Quantitative Data Science
- Social Policy
- Internet, Technology, and Digital Sociology
- Social Equality

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:

- Research
- Teaching
- Government (local and national)
- Philanthropy and non-profit organizations

CONTACT INFORMATION

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