

Sample Plan: PhD in Dept of Sociology and Criminology

*This is meant as a general guide; students should consult with their faculty advisor for any/all questions related to graduation status and coursework.

Coursework (CUM PROGRAM GPA 3.25)				Credit Hrs Per Semester	Post-MA Cumulative	Credit Hrs Cumulative	Funding	Professional Development
Year 1	1st Semester (fall)	s.h.	Notes	11	NA	11	TA	
	SOC:7270 Prosem I	2						
	SOC:6170 Intro to Data Analysis (Stats I)	3	Minimum grade requirement is B- or above					
	SOC:5110 History of Sociological Theory	3	Minimum grade requirement is B- or above					
	Elective	3						
	2nd Semester (spring)	s.h.	Notes	11	NA	22	TA	
	SOC:7271 Prosem II	2						
	SOC:6180 Linear Models (Stats II)	3	Minimum grade requirement is B- or above					
SOC:5160 Research Design & Methods	3	Minimum grade requirement is B- or above						
Elective	3							
Summer							RA	IDP Workshop
Year 2	1st Semester (fall)	s.h.	Notes	9	NA	31	TA	IDP Workshop
	Elective	3						
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	2nd Semester (spring)	s.h.	Notes	9	NA	40 (10 over required 30sh for MA, carry over to post-MA hours)	TA	Career Exploration Workshop
	SOC:6080 Master's Thesis	6	Write MA thesis and prepare for defense					
	Elective	3						
Milestone #1: MA Defense								
Summer							RA	Career Exploration Workshop
Year 3	1st Semester (fall)	s.h.	Notes	11	10+11=21	51	RA	Revise and Publish MA
	Methods/Statistics course level 5000+	3	***					
	SOC:7030 Reading and Research Hours	3	Prepare for Comprehensive Exam					
	Elective	3						
	GRAD: Seminar in College Teaching	2						
	2nd Semester (spring)	s.h.	Notes	9	30	60	RA	Give a scholarly presentation at our Departmental Colloquium
	Methods/Statistics course level 5000+	3	***					
	SOC:7030 Reading and Research Hours	3	Prepare for Comprehensive Exam					
Elective	3							
Milestone #2: Comprehensive Exam								
Summer							Teaching	Job Docs Workshop

Year 4	1st Semester (fall)	s.h.	Notes	6 (full-time status but on "short hours")	36	66	UI Post-Comp Fellowship	Career Exploration Workshop
	Methods/Statistics course level 5000+	3	***					
	SOC:7030 Reading and Research Hours	3	Write Prospectus and prepare for defense					
Milestone #3: Prospectus Defense								
	2nd Semester (spring)	s.h.	Notes	2 (short hours)	36	68	External Award	Job Market Prep
	SOC:7090 PhD Dissertation†	2	Write Dissertation					
Summer							GC Fellowship	Talk to employers and present research at ASA/ASC
Year 5	1st Semester (fall)	s.h.	Notes	2 (short hours)	36	70	External Award	On job market
	SOC:7090 PhD Dissertation†	2	Write Dissertation					
	2nd Semester (spring)	s.h.	Notes	2 (short hours)	36	72	UI Ballard SSH Fellowship	On job market
SOC:7090 PhD Dissertation†	2	Finish Dissertation and prepare for defense						
Milestone #4: Dissertation Defense								

***May not be SOC:7030 or any other independent study or research course; Must be 3 or more sh; Minimum grade requirement is B- or above; Course must be approved by DGS.

† SOC7090 does not count towards post-MA 36 hours requirement.