



MASTER OF ARTS IN SOCIAL SCIENCES

Sociology Concentration

The Master of Arts in Social Sciences with a concentration in sociology is designed to meet the needs of rural and metropolitan area teachers, junior and middle level social service personnel and administrators, and beginning graduate students who plan to pursue doctoral studies in sociology. The curriculum is built on a solid foundation in sociological theory and methods and one-on-one advising to support students' progress. Our faculty works closely with students to apply concepts, develop expertise and build individual projects based on research and experiences in a variety of communities and settings. Thesis and non-thesis options are offered.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

While many sociology graduates enter work in a social welfare role, others go into a variety of jobs throughout the public and private sector. Some employers include: charitable, counselling and community based organizations, commerce, education authorities, industry, and local and central government. Opportunities also exist in the Civil Service and graduate management training schemes. Sociology graduates work with a varied and diverse client group.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- ✓ Admission to the Graduate School at Southern University and A&M College require a minimum 2.7 GPA.
- ✓ Completion of at least 12 hours of undergraduate courses in sociology, including Introduction to Sociology, Social Research, Sociological Theory and Social Statistics (without exception)
- ✓ Course deficiencies can only be eliminated by completing the necessary undergraduate courses.

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

Thesis option- Students complete a total of 30 credit hours, including 18 credit hours in Sociology, 6 credit hours in History and 6 credit hours in Political Science. **Non-thesis option-** Students must complete a total of 36 credit hours including 24 credit hours in Sociology, 6 credit hours in history and 6 credit hours in political science.

GRADUATE ASSISTANTSHIPS

The Department offers graduate assistantships for eligible students who show outstanding potential. These working assistantships are competitively awarded typically for an academic year and are based on availability of funds.

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THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

For more detailed information, please refer to the Southern University Graduate School website:

<http://www.subr.edu/page/1567>