SOCIOLOGY - M.A.

College of Arts and Sciences
Department of Sociology and Criminology
www.kent.edu/sociology

Examples of Possible Careers*

Social science research assistants
• 5.8% faster than the average
• 40,100 number of jobs
• $49,210 potential earnings

Sociologists
• 3.6% about as fast as the average
• 3,200 number of jobs
• $86,110 potential earnings

Sociology teachers, postsecondary
• 3.8% about as fast as the average
• 17,000 number of jobs
• $75,610 potential earnings

Contact Information
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• Chat with an Admissions Counselor

Fully Offered
• Kent Campus

Admission Terms
• Fall

Description
The Master of Arts degree in Sociology is designed to prepare students for doctoral study in sociology and for careers in a variety of professions and industries, including, but not limited to, government, research companies and non-profit organizations.

Admission Requirements
• Bachelor’s degree from an accredited college or university for unconditional admission
• Minimum 3.000 GPA on a 4.000 point scale for unconditional admission
• Official transcripts(s)
• GRE scores (taken within the last five years)
• Goal statement (1-2 pages), describing current academic interests, research interests, long-range career goals and how admission to the Department of Sociology at Kent State University will facilitate the achievement of these goals
• Three letters of recommendation from current/former professors who can adequately evaluate the applicant’s past work and potential
• English language proficiency - all international students must provide proof of English language proficiency (unless they meet specific exceptions) by earning one of the following:
  • Minimum 587 TOEFL PBT score (paper-based version)
  • Minimum 94 TOEFL IBT score (Internet-based version)
  • Minimum 82 MELAB score
  • Minimum 7.0 IELTS score
  • Minimum 65 PTE score
  • Minimum 120 Duolingo English Test score

For more information about graduate admissions, please visit the Graduate Studies website. For unconditional admission. 1

Program learning Outcomes
Graduates of this program will be able to:

1. Demonstrate knowledge of professional and ethical issues and duties in the discipline of sociology.
2. Demonstrate a practical understanding of early/classical sociological theory by using it to better understand social phenomena and human behavior; and develop new theoretical arguments and pose and attempt to answer research questions.
3. Demonstrate a practical understanding of research methods in sociology.
4. Demonstrate a practical understanding of multivariate statistics in application to social research.
5. Demonstrate the ability to carry out original research through the successful completion of a thesis project.

Program Requirements

Major Requirements

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1 No more than 6 credit hours of SOC 62896 and/or SOC 62898 may be applied toward the degree as elective credits. No more than 3 credit hours of 50000-level coursework may be applied toward the degree as elective credit.