SOCIOLOGY - M.A.

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

About This Program
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.

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Program Delivery
• Delivery: In person
• Location: Kent Campus

Examples of Possible Careers and Salaries*
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

Admission Requirements
• Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university
• Minimum 2.750 GPA on a 4.000-point scale
• Official transcripts
• 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 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 to waive) by earning one of the following:
  • Minimum 94 TOEFL iBT score
  • Minimum 7.0 IELTS score
  • Minimum 65 PTE score
  • Minimum 120 DET score

Applications for admission are accepted from those who will have a completed bachelor's degree upon starting the program.

International applicants who do not meet the above test scores will not be considered for admission.

Application Deadlines
• Fall Semester
  • Priority deadline: December 1
    Applications submitted by this deadline will receive the strongest consideration for admission.

Program Requirements

Major Requirements

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Minimum Total Credit Hours: 30

For more information about graduate admissions, visit the graduate admission website. For more information on international admissions, visit the international admission website.

Graduation Requirements

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• No more than one-half of a graduate student's coursework may be taken in 50000-level courses.
• Grades below C are not counted toward completion of requirements for the degree.

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.