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MA PROGRAM PLANNING AND TRACKING

Instructions. Students and their advisor should meet every semester to plan and track student progress. Required courses on a set rotation are prefilled, students should record their elective courses in the spaces provided. The Director of Graduate Studies is your advisor until you identify another (usually the MA research paper chair). Use the following tables with the appropriate dates for your program.

Required:

SOC 512 Sociological research methods and design

SOC 501 Classical sociological theory

SOC 526a Statistical data analysis in sociology I

SOC 591 Independent research (for the MA research paper)

MA students are required to take a minimum of 4 graduate seminars in addition to required courses (one of which may be at the 400 level). MA students may take readings (Soc 596) and approved graduate level courses in other departments (syllabus/description must be submitted to DGS prior to term and approved) as long as all requirements will be met.

MA students are welcome to take the required courses for the PhD program, noted here in italics (and are advised to do so especially if you hope to continue here for your doctoral work – but consult with an advisor first to see what makes sense given your individual interests/needs).

Note: the PhD required courses do not count toward the 4 substantive seminars that you also need for the MA program.

SOC 502 Contemporary sociological theory

SOC 526b Statistical data analysis in sociology II

SOC 518 Teaching Sociology

SOC 514 Qualitative research methods

See the handbook for more details on program requirements.

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Course offerings and program planning/tracking for **MA students** (see notes for 1st and 2nd year students).¹

Fall 2013	Spring 2014	Summer 2014
Soc 512 (4) _____() _____() <i>Soc 518 (3) is an option</i>	_____() _____() _____() <i>Soc 514 (4) is an option</i>	
2 nd year: 591 (4) hours	1 st year: choose MA advisor; plan MA 2 nd year: submit draft of MA paper to advisor by February (check due date for Graduate School)	1 st year: data collection – depending on your project

Fall 2014	Spring 2015	Summer 2015
Soc 501 (3) Soc 526a (4) _____()	_____() _____() _____() <i>Soc 502 (3) and 526b (4) are options and are recommended if applying to our PhD program</i>	
2 nd year: 591 (4) hours	1 st year: choose MA advisor; plan MA 2 nd year: submit draft of MA paper to advisor by February (check due date for Graduate School)	1 st year: data collection – depending on your project

1. Minimum credit hours per semester for GAs = 8.

Minimum credit hours for Graduate Fellowships, Veteran's Benefits, SIUC Scholarships = 9.