

A. Coursework and dissertation credit requirements

Coursework credits: minimum 50 required.

Table 1 on the following page enumerates the required courses for the Ph.D. This includes 7 required 3-credit classes, the 2-credit proseminar, and 9 elective 3-credit courses. We expect most of these to be non-Independent Study courses and to be in Sociology.

Waiving requirements and transferring credits based on graduate courses taken elsewhere

This section applies to students without previous graduate degrees. If you already have an M.A. see p. 8. If you want transfer credits to count towards an M.A. you will earn here, see pp. 8-10.

We will consider waiving requirements and transferring credits if your grades in previous graduate courses are high (typically A- or higher), and if the course material and requirements are demonstrably equivalent to our own courses. You may be able to transfer credits for both required courses and electives. We may waive some requirements without transferring credits. Even if your prior coursework qualifies for transfer, we may encourage you to take our equivalent courses if more than a couple of years have passed, or to help you integrate with your entering cohort and maximize your exposure to our faculty.

Dissertation credits: 18 required

These are different from the thesis credits required for the M.A. with thesis option (see p. 11). You may be able to convert dissertation credits to M.A. thesis credits; see GPD for procedure. You can convert M.A. thesis credits to dissertation credits only if you ultimately do *not* write a Master's thesis; if you do write a Master's thesis and continue on to the Ph.D., you will need an additional 18 dissertation credits.

The table below describes your course and credit requirements. Those who entered the program before 2008 should look at the legacy tables for course and credit requirements.

Table 1: Ph.D. course and credit requirements

NOTE: All courses listed by name or number are required for the Ph.D. Those required for the M.A. are marked with 'Y' in the 'MA?' column.

Year 1 (20 credits)							
#	Name	MA?	Credits	Proposed transfer	Approved?	Trans. credits	
701	Developmental Sociological Theory	Y	3				
711	Graduate Statistics I *	Y	3				
796P	Proseminar (Fall)		1	None			
	Theory Elective ** Suggested completion: Year 1 or 2	Y	3				
710	Research Methods	Y	3				
712	Graduate Statistics II *		3				
796P	Proseminar (Spring)		1	None			
	Elective:		3				

Following Years (30 credits remaining)							
797W	Graduate Writing Seminar Suggested completion: Year 2 or 3	Y	3	None			
	Qualitative Methods ** Suggested completion: Year 2 or 3		3				
	Elective:		3				
	Elective:		3				
	Elective:		3				
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Coursework Grand Total			50				
Dissertation credits			18				

* You can take alternatives to 711 and 712 in other departments but must clear them beforehand with GPD. You need a B+ or better in 711 to take 712.

** We offer different theory courses every year that will satisfy the Theory elective requirement. You can satisfy the Qualitative requirement with our courses in ethnography, qualitative comparative historical methods and interview methods. You can also take alternatives in other departments but must clear them beforehand with GPD.