

SOCIOLOGY (GRADUATE FIELD)

Program Website (<https://sociology.cornell.edu/>)

Field Description

Ph.D. degree candidates may register in general sociology initially but must select one of the eight areas of concentration before taking the Admission to Candidacy examination. Candidates also choose two minors from sociology or related fields. Students normally take a sequence of core courses in theory and methods but may substitute a general examination in these subjects.

Ph.D. students in full-time residence are normally expected to earn the Ph.D. degree within four years. The written and oral Admission to Candidacy examination is usually taken early in the third year, followed by the dissertation and oral defense. One year of directed teaching experience at Cornell is required unless the student is specifically exempted.

Admission to the Sociology Graduate Field is restricted to students who plan to complete a Ph.D. in Sociology. Students can, in consultation with their Special Committees, take a Master's degree on the way to a Ph.D. A terminal Master's is also available but is reserved for students who decide they are no longer interested in doctoral studies, or who, in the view of the Special Committee and other Field members, are not making good progress toward doctoral-level research.

Data and Statistics

- Doctoral Program Statistics (<https://gradschool.cornell.edu/about/program-metrics-assessments-and-outcomes/doctoral-program-statistics/?SelectGradField=93>)

Field Manual

- Manual (<https://sociology.cornell.edu/graduate-requirements/>)

Subject and Degrees

Sociology

- Sociology (PhD) (<https://catalog.cornell.edu/programs/sociology-phd/>)

Concentrations by Subject

Sociology

- community & urban sociology
- computational social science
- culture (minor)
- economy and society
- gender
- inequality and social stratification
- methodology (minor)
- organizations, work and occupations
- policy analysis (minor)
- political sociology/social movements
- race, ethnicity and immigration
- science, technology & medicine (minor)

- social demography
- social networks
- social psychology (minor)
- sociology of education
- sociology of family
- sociology of health and illness

Faculty

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- **Concentrations:** *Sociology:* economy and society; political sociology/ social movements
- **Research Interests:** culture; qualitative methods; comparative/ historical sociology; theory

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- **Concentrations:** *Sociology:* gender; methodology
- **Research Interests:** Gender, Sexuality, Feminist Science Studies

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- **Concentrations:** *Sociology:* economy and society; inequality and social stratification; methodology; organizations, work and occupations
- **Research Interests:** organizations

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- **Concentrations:** *Sociology:* community & urban sociology; inequality and social stratification; methodology; social networks; sociology of health and illness
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- **Research Interests:** social networks; social stratification; economy and society

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- **Concentrations:** *Sociology:* gender; inequality and social stratification; policy analysis; sociology of family
- **Research Interests:** policy analysis; gender and life

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- **Concentrations:** Sociology: community & urban sociology; economy and society; political sociology/social movements; race, ethnicity and immigration; sociology of education

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- **Concentrations:** *Sociology:* economy and society; organizations, work and occupations; social networks
- **Research Interests:** Race & Racism, Climate Change

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- **Concentrations:** *Sociology:* inequality and social stratification; race, ethnicity and immigration
- **Research Interests:** Race, Ethnicity, Immigration, Social Inequality/ Social Stratification

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- **Campus:** Ithaca
- **Concentrations:** *Sociology:* computational social science; methodology; social networks
- **Research Interests:** link analysis and modeling of large-scale information networks; discrete optimization and network algorithms; and algorithmic approaches to clustering, indexing, and data mining

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- **Campus:** Ithaca
- **Concentrations:** *Sociology:* community & urban sociology; inequality and social stratification; methodology; policy analysis; race, ethnicity and immigration; social demography; sociology of family
- **Research Interests:** social demography; inequality; family and children

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- **Concentrations:** *Sociology:* inequality and social stratification; race, ethnicity and immigration
- **Research Interests:** Crime, Law, and Deviance; Punishment and Incarceration; Race, racism, and Public Policy

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- **Campus:** Ithaca
- **Concentrations:** *Sociology:* computational social science; methodology; organizations, work and occupations; political sociology/social movements; social networks; social psychology
- **Research Interests:** computational modeling; online social networks; collective action; emergence of norms; opinion dynamics

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- **Campus:** Ithaca
- **Concentrations:** *Sociology:* gender; inequality and social stratification; methodology; social demography; sociology of education; sociology of family; sociology of health and illness
- **Research Interests:** stratification, demography, gender, education, health

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- **Campus:** Ithaca
- **Concentrations:** *Sociology:* gender; inequality and social stratification; methodology; social demography; sociology of family
- **Research Interests:** family demography; social aspects of fertility; social stratification and inequality

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- **Concentrations:** *Sociology:* economy and society; inequality and social stratification; organizations, work and occupations; race, ethnicity and immigration
- **Research Interests:** economy and society; racial and ethnic relations; social stratification

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- **Concentrations:** *Sociology:* computational social science; political sociology/social movements; social networks
- **Research Interests:** political sociology/social movements, social networks, social mobility and quantitative and computational methods

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- **Concentrations:** *Sociology:* gender; policy analysis; social demography; social networks; sociology of family; sociology of health and illness
- **Research Interests:** family; life course

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- **Concentrations:** *Sociology:* community & urban sociology; inequality and social stratification; policy analysis; race, ethnicity and immigration
- **Research Interests:** race and ethnicity; social policy; inequality

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- **Concentrations:** *Sociology:* gender; inequality and social stratification; policy analysis; social demography; sociology of education; sociology of family
- **Research Interests:** gender and the life course; young adult transition; cohabitation; marriage

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- **Campus:** Ithaca
- **Concentrations:** *Sociology:* gender; inequality and social stratification
- **Research Interests:** inequality, gender, sexualities, religion, public opinion and social change

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- **Concentrations:** *Sociology:* computational social science; methodology; organizations, work and occupations; political sociology/social movements
- **Research Interests:** diffusion, imitation and learning processes; organizations; comparative political structures; event history methods

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- **Campus:** Ithaca
- **Concentrations:** *Sociology:* community & urban sociology; computational social science; economy and society; inequality and social stratification; social demography
- **Research Interests:** Crime and Punishment; Computational Social Science; Economy & Society; Inequality & Social Stratification; Methodology; Policy Analysis; Race, Ethnicity and Immigration; Social Demography

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- **Concentrations:** *Sociology:* culture; inequality and social stratification; organizations, work and occupations; political sociology/social movements
- **Research Interests:** organizations; economy and society; policy analysis

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- **Campus:** Ithaca
- **Concentrations:** *Sociology:* culture; inequality and social stratification; methodology; policy analysis; sociology of family
- **Research Interests:** poverty and inequality; social policy; family; qualitative and mixed methods

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- **Campus:** Ithaca
- **Concentrations:** *Sociology:* economy and society; gender; inequality and social stratification; organizations, work and occupations; sociology of education
- **Research Interests:** social stratification and inequality; gender inequality; labor markets; social demography; gender and life course; economy and society

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- **Concentrations:** *Sociology:* political sociology/social movements; race, ethnicity and immigration
- **Research Interests:** Labor movement, Economy, Immigration, labor markets, social movements, globalization

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- **Concentrations:** *Sociology:* computational social science; economy and society; inequality and social stratification; methodology; policy analysis
- **Research Interests:** economic sociology, stratifications, methodology