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**CATALOG YEAR 2012-2013**

COLLEGE/SCHOOL/SECTION:   COAS/ Department of Behavioral Sciences

**Program:** Delete:  Add:  Change:  Attach new/changed Program of Study description and 4-year plan. If in current online catalog, provide change and attach text with changes in red.

Please the attached change to the Sociology MA.

Justification: This change was primarily mandated from above, the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

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Chair College Curriculum Committee	_____	_____
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**MASTER OF ARTS IN SOCIOLOGY  
NON-THESIS PLAN**

**MAJOR CURRICULUM - SOCIOLOGY**

**27 SCH**

**Required courses:**

SOCI 5303 [Seminar in Sociological Theory](#)  
SOCI 5312 [Applications in Social Planning](#)  
SOCI 5321 [Social Inquiry](#)  
SOCI 5322 [Advanced Quantitative Methods](#)  
SOCI 5325 [Program Evaluation](#)

**Electives**

**Four courses chosen from:**

SOCI 5301 [Contemporary Studies of Social Problems](#)<sup>1</sup>  
SOCI 5304 [Racial, Ethnic, Social Class and Gender Inequalities](#)  
SOCI 5306 [Sociology of Education](#)  
SOCI 5307 Multicultural Domestic Violence  
SOCI 5309 [Immigration and Biculturalism](#)  
[Or any elective from a partner institution](#)

**MINOR CURRICULUM<sup>2</sup>**

**9 SCH**

Three **5000-level graduate** courses from one discipline

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**TOTAL 36 SCH**

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**MASTER OF ARTS IN SOCIOLOGY  
THESIS PLAN**

**MAJOR CURRICULUM - SOCIOLOGY**

**12 SCH Required courses:**

SOCI 5303 [Seminar in Sociological Theory](#)  
SOCI 5312 [Applications in Social Planning](#)  
SOCI 5321 [Social Inquiry](#)  
SOCI 5322 [Advanced Quantitative Methods](#)

**Four Elective Courses**

SOCI 5301 [Contemporary Studies of Social Problems](#)<sup>1</sup>  
SOCI 5304 [Racial, Ethnic, Social Class and Gender Inequalities](#)  
SOCI 5306 [Sociology of Education](#)  
SOCI 5307 Multicultural Domestic Violence  
SOCI 5309 [Immigration and Biculturalism](#)  
SOCI 5312 [Applications in Social Planning](#)

Or any elective from a partner institution

**MINOR CURRICULUM<sup>2</sup>**

Two **5000-level graduate** courses from one discipline **THESIS**

**6 SCH**

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**Twenty-four hours must be completed prior to enrollment in SOCI [5398](#) or SOCI [5399](#)**

SOCI 5398 [Thesis](#)  
SOCI 5399 [Thesis](#)

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**TOTAL 30 SCH**

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<sup>1</sup>SOCI [5301](#) May be repeated for credit when the topic changes. <sup>2</sup>Select from CRIJ/ENGL/HIST/PADM/PSCI/PSYC/SPAN. Note: See [COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES - UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES](#) for information on the combined BA/MA degree in Sociology.

## Graduate Courses

SOCI [5301](#) Contemporary Studies of Social Problems – some of these courses may be changed to electives if we get the paperwork in this week.

SOCI [5303](#) Seminar in Sociological Theory (Offered in the Fall every 2 years)

SOCI [5304](#) Racial, Ethnic, Social Class and Gender Inequalities (once every 2 years)

SOCI [5305](#) Management of Human Service Organization - eliminate

SOCI [5306](#) Sociology of Education (Offered once every 2 years)

SOCI [5307](#) Multicultural Domestic Violence (Offered once every 2 years).

SOCI [5309](#) Immigration and Biculturalism (Offered once every 2 years)

SOCI [5312](#) Applications in Social Planning (Offered in the Spring every 2 years)

SOCI [5321](#) Social Inquiry (Offered in the Fall of each year but rotated among disciplines)

SOCI [5322](#) Advanced Quantitative Methods (Offered in Spring of Each year but rotated among disciplines)

SOCI [5325](#) Program Evaluation – a complete analysis of a community program. Topic selection must be approved by course professor. (offered in the Spring every 2 years)

SOCI [5340](#) Seminar in the Study of Social Change -- eliminate

SOCI [5398](#) Thesis

SOCI [5399](#) Thesis

The primary focus of the MA Sociology program is applied sociology. The primary goals of the program will focus on job skills. The TAMU applied Sociology program is designed for faculty and students to actively engage in “hands-on” research that is relevant to communities they study. The skills we teach are valuable to the community organizations.

Graduates from our program will be trained in survey methodology, needs assessment, grant writing, professional report writing and evaluation scholarship. These skills are sought after by governmental agencies, research institutes, and community nonprofit organizations. Students will also develop a strong academic background that will prepare them for the Ph.D. programs.

Upon completing the MA program, our graduates will be able to:

- Design surveys for various formats (face to face, mail, telephone, and electronically delivered methodologies)
- Analyze and interpret both quantitative and qualitative data
- Develop grant writing skills
- Serve as professional evaluators and develop professional

Student courses may depend on what the partner institution wishes to offer. Perhaps the easiest fit is to offer see if partner institutions wish to offer required courses or electives. This is meant as a starting point for negotiations.

Fall 2012:

SOCI 5303 [Seminar in Sociological Theory](#)  
 SOCI 5321 [Social Inquiry](#) (rotated among disciplines)  
 SOCI 5306 [Sociology of Education](#)

Spring 2013:

SOCI 5312 [Applications in Social Planning](#)  
 SOCI 5322 [Advanced Quantitative Methods](#) (rotated among disciplines)  
 SOCI 5325 [Program Evaluation](#)  
 SOCI 5309 [Immigration and Biculturalism](#)

Summer 2013:

SOCI 53XX Sociology Elective

Fall 2013

SOCI 5303 [Seminar in Sociological Theory](#)  
 SOCI 5321 [Social Inquiry](#) (rotated among disciplines)  
 SOCI 53XX Sociology Elective

Spring 2014

SOCI 5312 [Applications in Social Planning](#)  
 SOCI 5322 [Advanced Quantitative Methods](#) (rotated among disciplines)  
 SOCI 53XX Sociology Elective