

Sociology, MA

This degree is only awarded to students who enter the doctoral degree program in sociology without an advanced degree in sociology. Students may qualify to receive an MA degree upon completing the program requirements listed here. Please see the PhD in Sociology (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/graduate/social-sciences-humanities/sociology/sociology-phd/>) for more information about this program. No students will be admitted directly into this program to pursue a master's degree.

Program Requirements

Complete all courses and requirements listed below unless otherwise indicated.

Milestones

Annual review

Tracks

Complete one of the following tracks:

ACADEMIC TRACK

Code	Title	Hours
Foundations		
A grade of B or higher is required in each foundations course:		
SOCL 7200	Foundations of Social Theory 1	4
SOCL 7201	Foundations of Social Theory 2	4
Research Methods		
INSH 6300	Research Methods in the Social Sciences	4
Statistical Methods		
INSH 6500	Statistical Analysis	4
Electives		
Complete 14 semester hours from the following:		14
SOCL 5000–7990		

APPLIED TRACK

Code	Title	Hours
Foundations		
A grade of B or higher is required:		
SOCL 7200	Foundations of Social Theory 1	4
Research Methods		
INSH 6300	Research Methods in the Social Sciences	4
Statistical Methods		
INSH 6500	Statistical Analysis	4
Advanced Methods		
Complete one of the following:		4
INSH 5301	Introduction to Computational Statistics	
INSH 5302	Information Design and Visual Analytics	
INSH 5303	Machine Learning in the Social Sciences	
INSH 5304	Social Network Analysis	
INSH 5500	Basic Principles of Statistical Analysis in the Social Sciences	
INSH 5501	The R Statistical Computing Platform	
INSH 5502	Introduction to Probability and Statistics	
INSH 5503	Multivariate Regression	
INSH 5505	From Data to Information: Making Sense of “Found” Data	
INSH 5506	From Information to Measurement: Using “Found” Data to Describe Objects, People, and Places	
INSH 5509	Spatio-Temporal Data Representations	
INSH 5510	Visualizing Relational Data	
INSH 5602	Documenting Fieldwork Narratives: Oral History, Ethnography, Archival Practices	

INSH 6101	Agent-Based Modeling for Applied and Social Sciences
INSH 6302	Qualitative Methods
INSH 6406	Analyzing Complex Digitized Data
INSH 7300	Advanced Research Methods in the Social Sciences and Humanities
INSH 7400	Quantitative Analysis
INSH 7500	Advanced Quantitative Analysis
INSH 7600	Multilevel Theorizing and Analysis
PHTH 6320	Qualitative Methods in Health and Illness
PPUA 5262	Big Data for Cities
PPUA 5263	Geographic Information Systems for Urban and Regional Policy
PPUA 6509	Techniques of Program Evaluation

Electives

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Program Credit/GPA Requirements

30 total semester hours required

Minimum 3.00 GPA required