

# UCMERCED

Sample Plan of Study for a Sociology Graduate Student	
SUMMER before 1st year: Statistics Boot Camp during Graduate orientation week	
Fall Semester	Spring Semester
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Year</b>	
SOC 200 Sociological Theory	SOC 211 Statistics 2: Categorical Regression
SOC 210 Statistics 1	SOC 215 Graduate Research Methods
SOC 201 Professionalization Seminar (2 units)	SOC 201 Professionalization Seminar (2 units)
SOC 2XX Elective	SOC 2XX Elective
Summer: Research for MA Thesis/2nd year paper	First Year Review
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Year</b>	
SOC 205 Writing and Publishing Seminar	SOC 2XX Elective
SOC 216 Adv Qualitative Methods OR SOC 2XX Elective	SOC 2XX Elective (or Elective in Related Field)
SOC 2XX Elective	SOC 295: Graduate Research (Letter Grade)
<i>Terminal MA student departs at end of 2nd year</i>	<i>Turn in MA Thesis</i>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Year</b>	
SOC 2XX Elective	SOC 2XX Elective
SOC 2XX Elective OR SOC 216 Adv Qualitative Methods	SOC 2XX Elective or Elective in Related Field
SOC 299 Reading Hours (Pass/Fail)	SOC 299 Reading Hours (Pass/Fail)
<i>Qualifying Exam 1</i>	<i>Qualifying Exam 2 &amp; Form Candidacy Committee</i>
<b>4<sup>th</sup> year</b>	
SOC 297 Dissertation Research (Letter Grade)	SOC 297 Dissertation Research (Letter Grade)
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<i>Defend dissertation proposal</i>	<i>Advance to Candidacy</i>
<b>5<sup>th</sup> Year</b>	
SOC 297 Dissertation Research (Letter Grade)	
Oral Defense of Dissertation Spring or Summer of 5 <sup>th</sup> Year	