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Sample Plan of Study for a Sociology Graduate Student	
Graduate orientation week	
Fall Semester	Spring Semester
1st Year	
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
2nd Year	
SOC 216 Adv Qualitative Methods OR SOC 2XX Elective	SOC 205 Writing and Publishing Seminar
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>Present and Turn in MA Thesis</i>
3rd Year	
SOC 2XX Elective	SOC 2XX Elective
SOC 299 Reading Hours (Pass/Fail)	SOC 299 Reading Hours (Pass/Fail)
<i>Qualifying Exam 1</i>	<i>Dissertation Pre-Proposal & Advance to Candidacy Form</i>
4th year	
<i>Defend Dissertation Proposal</i>	
SOC 297 Dissertation Research (Letter Grade)	
SOC 297 Dissertation Research (Letter Grade)	
5th Year	
SOC 297 Dissertation Research (Letter Grade)	
Oral Defense of Dissertation Spring or Summer of 5 th Year	