



Department of Sociology Graduate Program

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Our graduate program is a vibrant intellectual community of about 20 faculty members and 45 graduate students. We admit students with either bachelor's or master's degrees. A terminal MA option is available for students who do not wish to complete a Ph.D. Our faculty members are nationally and internationally recognized scholars with impressive records of research, publication, teaching, and grant-funded study. Founded in 1890, we are the oldest sociology department in the United States, and, as such, we have a long and distinguished history of rigorous training in both qualitative and quantitative study.

We subscribe to an apprenticeship philosophy of graduate education in which faculty and students treat education as a joint enterprise. The department is noted for the intense exchange of ideas among its graduate students, a strong culture of student mentoring and support, and faculty-student collaboration. Areas of concentration include:

- Class
- Culture
- Environment
- Gender & Sexuality
- Globalization
- Medicine/Health/Aging/Life Course
- Race & Ethnicity
- Social Demography
- Social Inequality/Stratification

Recent research & publications by graduate students include the following:

- **Walter Goettlich** with Prof. **William Staples**. "Book review: Surveilling and Securing the Olympics: From Tokyo 1964 to London 2012 and Beyond by Vida Bajc (ed)" in *Critical Sociology*. <https://doi.org/10.1177%2F0896920517744162g>
- **Matt Comi**. "Other agricultures of scale: Social and environmental insights from Yakima Valley hop growers." *Journal of Rural Studies*. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jrurstud.2020.10.041>
- **Andrew Kim, Scott Tuttle, and Yurong Zhang** with Prof. **ChangHwan Kim**. "COVID-19 and the decline in Asian American employment." *Research in Social Stratification and Mobility*. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.rssm.2020.100563>

FUNDING is available through fellowships and multi-year teaching and research assistantships that include full tuition waivers & stipends. The current stipend for GTAs is \$17,750. Scholarships and awards are available each year to defray the cost of conference travel and research from the department, the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences, the Office of Graduate Studies, and other KU sources.

OTHER DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ We host a research journal edited by graduate students, **Social Thought and Research**, and the graduate student organized and funded Blackmar Lecture Series, which brings junior sociology faculty from across the country to KU.
- ◆ Graduate students in our program have an impressive record of receiving prestigious awards and fellowships such as a Ford Foundation Fellowship, ASA Minority Fellowship, and NSF Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grants!

APPLY NOW! You will find the KU graduate application form here: <https://gradapply.ku.edu/apply>
Application requirements are specified on our website: <http://sociology.ku.edu/grad-admission>

Have questions? Please contact Graduate Program Coordinator Corinne Butler (cebutler@ku.edu) or Director of Graduate Studies Dr. **ChangHwan Kim** (chkim@ku.edu).

Now accepting applications for Fall 2022! Applications are due January 5, 2022.
ALL applicants are considered for funding!

GRE scores are optional for Fall 2022 applicants!

ADMISSION PREREQUISITES

- 15 hours of college credit in sociology
- A course in sociological theory
- A course in statistics

Students who lack one or more of the prerequisites may be admitted on a provisional basis.

