

Welcome to Your Degree!

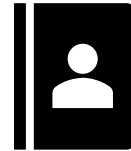
This Welcome Package is a *very quick* guide to some of the information that you may look for while in your program. It included a quick outline of your degree requirements, important dates, faculty research interest and contact information.

It also includes some very important links that you should keep at hand when determining your next steps regarding course selections.

You are always welcome to email me or come in and see me and I will help you in any way that I can or direct you to the right contact for your need.

My office is located in Chrysler Hall South, Office 158-2.

Sincerely,
Graduate Secretary



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PHD – SOCIOLOGY DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Sociology with Specialization in Social Justice

The program requirements are as follow:

Course requirements: successful completion of five (5) graduate courses, normally completed during the first two semesters, plus the Dissertation.

Total courses: Five (5) graduate courses from SACR-8xxx, plus the Dissertation

STAGE ONE: COURSE WORK

Course work will normally be completed during the first two semesters.

Total Courses:

- ❖ Five graduate level courses
- ❖ SACR-9980 Dissertation, which includes:
 - Two comprehensive examinations
 - A dissertation proposal, which includes an oral defence
 - A dissertation, which includes an oral defence

Major Requirements

- ❖ SACR-8020 (Social Theory and Social Justice) **OR** SACR-8010 (Classical Social Theories and Beyond) **OR** SACR-8000 (Sociological Theory)
- ❖ SACR-8150 (Statistics and Quantitative Methods) **OR** SACR-8160 (Qualitative Research Design)
- ❖ Three graduate courses from any SACR 8xxx course*

Students should enrol in the methods courses that will inform their dissertation. Students intending to write a quantitative dissertation should enrol in SACR-8150. Students intending to write a qualitative dissertation should enrol in SACR-8160. Students are recommended to have training in Qualitative and Quantitative Methods.

Please note that students should form their dissertation committee prior to beginning their comprehensives.

STAGE TWO: COMPREHENSIVE EXAMINATIONS & DISSERTATION PROPOSAL

COMPREHENSIVE EXAMINATIONS:

The comprehensive examinations should be completed no later than the second academic year of the PhD program.

General Information

Before a student begins the comprehensive examinations, the dissertation committee must be declared to the Graduate Office. Please see previous section in the Handbook regarding the creation and composition of the dissertation committee.

The PhD comprehensives consist of two exams in two thematic areas of Sociology. Students will complete ONE thematic area comprehensive and ONE dissertation-led substantive area comprehensive.

The first comprehensive should be based on a thematic area in which the student has strong, but secondary interest. The second dissertation-led comprehensive should be drawn from a thematic area that reflects the student's primary research interests.

Comprehensive Committee Composition and Formats:

- a. **Comprehensive One:** is a 30-page take-home exam based on the readings in a secondary area of the student's research interest. The exam consists of two 15-page essays. Students will choose two (2) questions from a list of three questions forwarded to them one week before the exam is due.

Objective: to demonstrate breadth and critical understanding of an area in Sociology.

Comprehensive One Committee will consist of at least two faculty members no more than one of whom should be on the student's dissertation committee. One committee member will serve as Chair of this committee.

Students will wish to meet with the Chair of the Comprehensive where necessary to finalize their reading lists for example, before the start date given below.

Establishing a Committee: Students should consult with their Advisors to identify the relevant thematic area and contact faculty members listed under this thematic area to serve on and Chair this committee.

- b. **Comprehensive Two:** is a 50-page page critical analysis and review of key debates, literature and methodological approaches to the theme that constitutes the students' primary area of dissertation research. One question will be provided when the comprehensive period begins. The question is to be determined by the comprehensive committee.

Objective: to demonstrate critical knowledge and understanding of the literature, approaches and methods that comprise the student's dissertation research area.

Comprehensive Two Committee will ideally consist of three members of the dissertation committee.

IMPORTANT DATES

Most current & updated information can be found at:

[Important Academic Dates | Office of the Registrar \(uwindsor.ca\)](#)

[Important Dates for Graduate Students | Faculty of Graduate Studies \(uwindsor.ca\)](#)

Fall 2023

September 7th, 2023 – First Day of Fall 2023 Classes

October 4th, 2023 – Financial Drop Date (Full tuition refund)

October 7th – 15th, 2023 – Reading Week

October 9th, 2023 – Thanksgiving Day – University Closed

December 6th, 2023 – Last Day of Fall 2023 Classes

December 9th – 20th, 2023 – Final Exams for Fall 2023

December 21st, 2023 – Alternate Final Exam Day

December 23rd, 2023 – January 2nd, 2023 – University Closed

IMPORTANT LINKS

[Fees and Charges | Finance Department \(uwindsor.ca\)](#)

[Payment Options | Finance Department \(uwindsor.ca\)](#)

[Timetable Information | Office of the Registrar \(uwindsor.ca\)](#)

[Master of Arts in Sociology & Criminology | Department of Sociology and Criminology \(uwindsor.ca\)](#)

[Current Students | Faculty of Graduate Studies \(uwindsor.ca\)](#) (includes information on GAships, Forms, Thesis/Dissertations, Registrations, Important Dates, Tuition Fee Refund Phases, ect.)

[Scholarships and Awards | Faculty of Graduate Studies \(uwindsor.ca\)](#)

Faculty Research Interests

Robert Arnold – Quantitative Methodology, Family, Stratification/Mobility

Tanya Basok – Temporary Labour Migration, Refugee Movements, Immigration and Refugee Policies, Human Rights, Citizenship Rights, Latin American Studies, Migrant Activism

Cheran Rudhramoorthy – Development, Race/Ethnic/Minority Relations, Migration and Immigration

Gerald Cradock – The Sociology of Childhood, Institutional Responses to Child Abuse and Child Homicide, Public Inquiries as Governance Technologies

Ronjon Paul Datta – Classical and Contemporary Social Theory, Philosophy of Social Science, Political sociology, Religion, Durkheimian Studies, Foucault, Social Pathology, Capitalism

Natalie Delia Deckard – Critical Criminology, Migration, Race and Ethnicity, and Feminist Criminology

John Deukmedjian – Policing, Security, Intelligence and Surveillance, Criminological Theory, Governance and Governmentality, Political Economies, Histories of Knowledge

Amy Fitzgerald – Criminology, Green Criminology, (Critical) Animal Studies, Animal Abuse, Gender Studies, Environmental Sociology

Glynis George – Immigrant Settlement, Community-Based Research, Qualitative Methodologies, Culture and Gender

Jane Ku – Race, Antiracism, Feminism, Solidarity, Activism and Immigrant Settlement

Jacqueline Lewis – Crime, Deviance & Law; Drugs & Society; Health, Illness, Death & Dying; Social Inequality; Public Policy & Health; Prostitution & Sexual Labour; Qualitative Methodology

Randy Lippert – Law and Society, Policing/Security, Surveillance/Privacy, Governance and Urban Studies

Suzaane McMurphy – Trust, Social Capital, Public Sociology, Research Ethics, Social and Institutional Trust

Reza Nakhaie – Evaluating Socioeconomic Integration of Immigrants and Refugees, and How Experience of Discrimination Limits Educational Achievement of Newcomer Youth

Francisca Omorodion – Family, Sex and Gender, Sexuality and Health Development

Danielle Soulliere – Cultural Criminology, Gender Studies, Media