

# MASTER OF ARTS IN SOCIOLOGY (CRIMINOLOGY)

**Web Site:** <https://twu.edu/sociology/graduate-programs/ma-in-sociology-criminology-concentration/>

## Degree Requirements

### Total Semester Credit Hours Required

Thesis Option: 30 semester credit hours (SCH), including 6 SCH for thesis

Non-thesis Option: 30 semester credit hours

### Thesis Option (30 SCH)

| Code  | Title   | SCHs      |
|---|---|-----------|
| <b>Required Courses</b>   |   |           |
| SOCI 5113   | Statistical Methods in Sociology (or equivalent)  | 3         |
| SOCI 5313   | Research Methods and Design                       | 3         |
| SOCI 5473   | Foundations of Classical Sociological Theories    | 3         |
| or SOCI 5483  | Foundations of Contemporary Sociological Theories |           |
| <b>Electives</b>  |   |           |
| Select three of the following   |   | 9         |
| SOCI 6723   | Sociology of Terrorism                            |           |
| SOCI 6813   | Criminology Theories                              |           |
| SOCI 6823   | Globalization, Crime, and Justice                 |           |
| SOCI 6833   | Comparative Criminology                           |           |
| SOCI 6843   | Deviant Behavior                                  |           |
| SOCI 6853   | Contemporary Criminology                          |           |
| SOCI 6873   | Race, Crime, and Justice                          |           |
| Select two of the following   |   | 6         |
| SOCI 5643   | Race and Ethnic Groups in the United States       |           |
| SOCI 5843   | Feminist Theories                                 |           |
| SOCI 6203   | Seminar on Research Methods                       |           |
| SOCI 6363   | Intermediate Social Statistics                    |           |
| SOCI 6513   | Global and Comparative Sociology                  |           |
| SOCI 6523   | Social Psychology Theory                          |           |
| SOCI 6553   | Social Stratification                             |           |
| SOCI 6723   | Sociology of Terrorism                            |           |
| SOCI 6733   | Health and Illness                                |           |
| SOCI 6813   | Criminology Theories                              |           |
| SOCI 6823   | Globalization, Crime, and Justice                 |           |
| SOCI 6833   | Comparative Criminology                           |           |
| SOCI 6843   | Deviant Behavior                                  |           |
| SOCI 6853   | Contemporary Criminology                          |           |
| SOCI 6873   | Race, Crime, and Justice                          |           |
| Other electives may be chosen, subject to approval by graduate advisor or advisory committee. |   |           |
| <b>Thesis</b>   |   |           |
| SOCI 5983   | Thesis  | 3         |
| SOCI 5993   | Thesis  | 3         |
| <b>Total SCHs</b>   |   | <b>30</b> |

### Non-thesis option (30 SCH)

| Code  | Title   | SCHs      |
|---|---|-----------|
| <b>Required Courses</b>   |   |           |
| SOCI 5113   | Statistical Methods in Sociology (or equivalent)  | 3         |
| SOCI 5313   | Research Methods and Design                       | 3         |
| SOCI 5473   | Foundations of Classical Sociological Theories    | 3         |
| or SOCI 5483  | Foundations of Contemporary Sociological Theories |           |
| <b>Electives</b>  |   |           |
| Select three of the following   |   | 9         |
| SOCI 6723   | Sociology of Terrorism                            |           |
| SOCI 6813   | Criminology Theories                              |           |
| SOCI 6823   | Globalization, Crime, and Justice                 |           |
| SOCI 6833   | Comparative Criminology                           |           |
| SOCI 6843   | Deviant Behavior                                  |           |
| SOCI 6853   | Contemporary Criminology                          |           |
| SOCI 6873   | Race, Crime, and Justice                          |           |
| Select four of the following  |   | 12        |
| SOCI 5643   | Race and Ethnic Groups in the United States       |           |
| SOCI 5843   | Feminist Theories                                 |           |
| SOCI 6203   | Seminar on Research Methods                       |           |
| SOCI 6363   | Intermediate Social Statistics                    |           |
| SOCI 6513   | Global and Comparative Sociology                  |           |
| SOCI 6523   | Social Psychology Theory                          |           |
| SOCI 6553   | Social Stratification                             |           |
| SOCI 6723   | Sociology of Terrorism                            |           |
| SOCI 6733   | Health and Illness                                |           |
| SOCI 6813   | Criminology Theories                              |           |
| SOCI 6823   | Globalization, Crime, and Justice                 |           |
| SOCI 6833   | Comparative Criminology                           |           |
| SOCI 6843   | Deviant Behavior                                  |           |
| SOCI 6853   | Contemporary Criminology                          |           |
| SOCI 6873   | Race, Crime, and Justice                          |           |
| Other electives may be selected, subject to approval by graduate advisor or advisory committee. |   |           |
| <b>Total SCHs</b>   |   | <b>30</b> |

### Required

9 semester credit hours, 3 SCH each in sociological theory, social science research methods, and social statistics.

### Major/Emphasis

15 or 21 semester credit hours, depending on thesis option or non-thesis option.

### Minor

Optional, 6 semester credit hours may be taken from another discipline to count toward the MA degree in sociology. Subject to approval by the department.

### Final Examination

Written examination; may be repeated twice.