



Application Guidelines for: *Sociology (MA or PhD)*

Application Deadline: *January 15 for Fall with funding / April 15 for Fall without funding*

Application for admissions	Specific instructions
Program of Interest	Select: College of Arts and Sciences > Sociology
Test Scores	Graduate Record Examination (GRE) scores are required and should be sent to the Testing and Data Management Division of the University of New Mexico (Institutional code 4845).
Letter of Intent	<p>A letter of intent that clearly and concisely describes your academic background and interests. Please ensure the letter touches on the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Professional experience, objectives, and any other factors bearing upon qualifications for graduate work in Sociology.• Your reasons for applying to this particular program.• Indicate which of the department specialties are of most interest to you:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Crime, Law, and Social Control○ Sociology of Health & Medicine○ Race & Ethnicity○ Social Movements○ Global/ Transnational Sociology• Your reasons for seeking a graduate degree in Sociology.• If there are any weaknesses in the application file, such as poor grades, lack of previous Sociological coursework, or low GRE scores, you should address them.
Writing Sample	One writing sample is required. A second writing sample is optional. Approximately 5 - 15 pages in length. The samples may be a previously submitted term paper or an original essay. This requirement provides the applicant with the opportunity to demonstrate research and analytical abilities.
CV/Resume	<p>A resume or curriculum vitae. Please include your contact information at the top of the page and the following, as applicable:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Degrees earned and in progress• Academic research experience• Teaching or grading experience• Work experience• Publications• Awards, honors, or Professional memberships

Important links	Specific instructions
Recommendations	Three (3) letters of recommendation from academic references that address your past academic performance, including analytical abilities and potential for success in graduate studies. If you request a letter from a professional reference, the letter should address analytical abilities and professional qualifications relevant to Sociological areas of study. Please ensure references include a completed cover form.

Website: <http://sociology.unm.edu/>

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