



Application Guidelines for **Sociology (PhD)**

Application Deadlines **For funding: January 15th**
Without funding: April 15th

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APPLICATION CATEGORY	SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS
Program of Interest	Select: College of Arts and Sciences > Sociology
Educational Background	In addition to the unofficial transcript submitted to the online application, all applicants must submit official transcripts directly to the department: UNM Sociology Department Attn: Sociology Graduate Committee MSC05 3080 1 University of New Mexico Albuquerque, NM 87131-0001
Test Scores	Not required or considered.
Letter of Intent	A letter of intent that clearly and concisely describes your academic background and interests. Please ensure the letter touches on the following topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The letter should include professional experience, objectives, and any other factors bearing upon qualifications for graduate work in Sociology. Your reasons for applying to this particular program. Your research interests and which of the four department specialties these interests best align with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Crime, Law, and Social Control Sociology of Health & Medicine Race & Ethnicity Social Movements Your reasons for seeking a graduate degree in Sociology. <p>If there are any weaknesses in the application file, such as poor grades or lack of previous sociological coursework, you should address them.</p>
Writing Sample	Two writing samples are required, 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	A resume or curriculum vitae. Please include your contact information at the top of the page and the following, as applicable: <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
Special Requirements	Applicant Demographic Form: Fill out the form found here (https://sociology.unm.edu/graduate/phd-applicant-demographic-form-11.pdf). Upload under the Special Requirements section of the online application. Your response to these questions is voluntary.
Recommendations	Three 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. The online application system will automatically contact your recommenders so that they can confidentially upload the letters.