



**UNIVERSITY OF
MASSACHUSETTS
BOSTON**

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

SOCIOLOGY DEPARTMENT



Accelerated Master's Program in Applied Sociology

An accelerated master's program is available for eligible UMass Boston students interested in applied sociology. By entering this program, students can earn both a bachelor's degree in their field of interest and a master's degree in applied sociology in less time than earning these degrees separately.

Students interested in social service or research related careers in healthcare, criminal justice, substance abuse, public affairs and urban planning, business, law, education, political science, or international careers should find this accelerated option supports and enhances their planned career path.

SAVE ON TIME AND MONEY

By taking graduate courses as an undergraduate student, your tuition and financial aid will apply towards your graduate credits.

BENEFITS OF STUDYING GRADUATE SOCIOLOGY

- Development of analytical and research skills designed by research institutes, non-profit agencies, and government agencies.
- Intimate knowledge of the factors influencing social change.
- Preparation for leadership positions in policy development, health care, community development, veteran services, criminal justice, social service agencies, higher education, and think tanks.

FACULTY AND RESEARCH EXPERTISE

Our faculty is an interdisciplinary scholarly community with varied intellectual interests and methodological approaches. Our faculty engages in innovative and grounded teaching and research that explores a wide range of social issues including, but not limited to, race and racism, power, poverty, politics, culture, migration, crime and justice, physical and mental health, gender, sexuality, interpersonal and group processes, and social transformation. With a strong commitment to research, our nationally recognized faculty guides students through an exploration of the human condition, globalization, culture, and the current issues that affect us all.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Accumulated 80-90 undergraduate credits (30 must be taken at UMB) no later than the second semester of junior year
- Completed undergraduate coursework must include:
 - SOCIOL 101 - Introduction to Sociology
 - SOCIOL 201 - Sociological Theory
 - SOCIOL 202 -Methods of Sociological Research
- Minimum 3.2 undergraduate G.P.A.
- Completion of the Writing Proficiency Examination

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

The BA/MA students follow the same academic program as MA students once they complete undergraduate coursework.

- 103 undergraduate credits
- 37 graduate credits
- Internship or Teaching Seminar
- Capstone options:
 - Master's Thesis
 - Master's Research Paper
 - Comprehensive Examination
- Minimum 3.0 G.P.A.

GRADUATE ASSISTANTSHIPS

AMP students are eligible for graduate assistantships upon completion of their undergraduate program.

Students typically receive half of an assistantship or 9 hours of work, 50% tuition waiver, and a stipend.



APPLICATION PROCESS

Applicants must submit the following to the Office of Graduate Admissions through the [online application portal](#) by the **application deadline: October 1 (spring admission), March 1 (fall admission).**

Application Materials

- Application Form
- 1200 - word statement
 - Explain academic interest and reasons for applying
 - One (1) academic writing sample
 - Two (2) academic letters of recommendation
 - All undergraduate transcripts

FOR MORE INFORMATION



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