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MA Program Student Learning Outcomes

1. Demonstrate understanding of a broad range of sociological theories and research methods.
2. Demonstrate ability to design a research project to address a sociological problem or issue of theoretical interest.
3. Apply principles to protect human subjects in the design of sociological research.
4. Demonstrate ability to carry out an independent research project to collect and analyze research data.
5. Demonstrate ability to interpret research results in relation to sociological theory.
6. Demonstrate clear and effective verbal and written communication skills.

PhD Program Student Learning Outcomes

1. Demonstrate understanding of a broad range of sociological theories and be able to apply them to frame a research problem and to conduct a research project.
2. Demonstrate understanding of a range of quantitative and qualitative methods for conducting sociological research.
3. Apply principles to protect human subjects in a sociological research project.
4. Acquire a professional level of knowledge in selected subfields of sociology in order to be equipped to teach courses on the subject and to develop research projects that will advance the field in the particular area.
5. Demonstrate ability to carry out a research project that will contribute new knowledge to the field using appropriate quantitative and/or qualitative methods.
6. Demonstrate ability to analyze research data and to write clearly and effectively for a professional academic audience
7. Demonstrate ability to present research findings clearly and effectively in a professional setting, such as a classroom or academic conference.