

**REQUIREMENTS FOR THE DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY**  
**DODGE FAMILY COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES**  
**THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA**

Academic Year
For Students Entering the Oklahoma State System for Higher Education Summer 2024 through Spring 2025

General Requirements
Minimum Total Hours ..... 90

Program
Sociology D845 Doctor of Philosophy

**PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS**

Code	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Required Courses (20 hours)</b>		
SOC 5283	Fundamentals of Sociological Statistics	3
SOC 5293	Advanced Methods of Social Research	3
SOC 5483	Advanced Regression Analysis	3
SOC 5683	Categorical, Panel, and Advanced Statistical Analyses	3
SOC 5821	Professionalization Seminar	1
SOC 5831	Teaching Seminar	1
SOC 5933	Sociological Theory	3
SOC 6903	Issues in Sociological Theory	3
<b>Dissertation Research (2 hour minimum, 24 hour maximum)</b>		
SOC 6980	Research for Doctoral Dissertation	2-24
<b>Additional Coursework</b>		
Additional graduate credit hours as needed to reach 90 post-baccalaureate hours, with approval by doctoral advisory committee <sup>1</sup>		46-68
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>90</b>

<sup>1</sup> Minimum of 46 hours, at least 12 hours must be housed in the Department of Sociology at the 5000-level or above. 12 hours of electives may be Directed Readings (5960), cross-listed courses housed outside the department, or other courses outside the department.

A maximum of 34 credit hours may be transferred from other universities with the permission of a student's advisory committee and the dean of the Graduate College.

**GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR DOCTORAL DEGREES**

A student should expect to spend at least the equivalent of three full academic years beyond the bachelor's degree to obtain the doctoral degree. During this period the student will take appropriate graduate coursework, successfully complete the general examination, and successfully defend and submit the final dissertation.

All coursework applied to the doctoral degree must carry graduate credit.

The doctoral degree requires at least 90 post-baccalaureate hours, including both formal coursework and hours of research.

The minimum hour requirement for a specific doctoral degree program cannot be waived.

No more than one-half of the credit hours, both OU and overall, excluding Research for Doctoral Dissertation (6980), may be S/U-graded coursework.

The student must be in residence at OU for at least two consecutive 16-week semesters during the pursuit of the doctoral degree while enrolled and engaged in coursework or research activities as prescribed by the major academic unit.

For more detailed regulations and requirements for Doctoral degrees, please consult the Graduate College Bulletin: <http://www.ou.edu/gradcollege/forms/bulletin>

More information in the catalog: (<http://ou-public.courseleaf.com/dodge-arts-sciences/sociology/sociology-doctor-philosophy/>).