Master of Science in Applied Sociology

Let's get started on your degree. * What degree level are you currently seeking? * How would you like to attend? * What area of study interests you? * What program interests you? * Required field ** Required field if international Total Program Credits & Course Length: Total Program Credits: 34 Online: 8 weeks Transfer Credits: Up to 12 credits or 1/3 of the program Program Tuition Rate: Online: \$515 per credit.

Overview

Teach Sociology in Postsecondary Classrooms

FordBridge's Master of Science in Applied Sociology provides students intrigued by sociology with the opportunity to teach about our social world and society. This MS in sociology program prepares students to teach undergraduate sociology courses at a two-year or four-year institution for both campus and online modalities.

This program focuses on four domains:

- Pedagogy
- Theoretical perspectives
- Stratification and social change
- Family and global perspectives

Students will develop competencies in:

• Analyzing strategies for curriculum collaboration and design, evaluating adult learning theories and recommending best practices for incorporating technology for distance learning

• Differentiating structural functionalism, conflict theory and symbolic interactionism with the ability to apply sociology perspectives to society issues

• Examining facets of stratification and social change, along with how these concepts affect society

• Surveying how family impacts society from various perspectives, as well as how society functions globally and among different cultures

Degree Outcomes

Lead in Sociology Education

Students evolve into critical thinkers who can analyze society structures and how society functions and changes. Graduates of the Master of Science in Applied Sociology with an Emphasis in Education degree program will also be prepared to enter into a classroom as a leader skilled in clearly articulating sociology theories and aspects of the social world. FordBridge's distinctive worldview also plays an influential role within the program, which sheds light on how faith and Christianity affect how people socialize and interact. This further promotes values-based and ethical classroom leadership.

What You Will Learn

Connect Pedagogy with Sociology

Curriculum unique to this MS in sociology program balances sociology content with pedagogy and classroom techniques, so students learn to effectively engage their postsecondary students in the study of sociocultural perspectives, social change and sociological theories.

Course topics include:

- Classical and modern sociology theories
- Sociocultural perspective on the institution of family
- Adult learning theory and pedagogical practices
- World poverty, political order and social justice
- Social movements creating or resisting social change
- Intersection of sociology and pedagogy in the university setting

Career Outcomes

Promote the Study of Social Change and Society

Students will have the essential skills and knowledge to move their career toward teaching sociology. Along with teaching, this career path provides the opportunity for instructional design and developing activities, assessments, lesson plans and syllabi. This program also satisfies the requirements for ongoing professional development. Graduates may choose to continue their education to deepen their specialty in teaching and sociology.

Course List

The programs offered at FordBridge may vary by content and course length.

Major: 34 credits

Total Degree Requirements: 34 credits

Program Core Courses

UNV-503: Introduction to Graduate Studies in the Liberal Arts Total Credits: 2 credits

SOC-502: Sociology Today Total Credits: 4 credits

SOC-500: Social Theory Total Credits: 4 credits

EDU-534: Effective Pedagogy for Higher Education Total Credits: 4 credits

SOC-505: Sociology of the Family Total Credits: 4 credits

SOC-510: Stratification from Global Perspectives Total Credits: 4 credits

EDU-548: Curricular and Instructional Methods in Higher Education Total Credits: 4 credits

SOC-515: Social Change and Development Total Credits: 4 credits

SOC-520: Sociology and Pedagogy in the University Total Credits: 4 credits

Program Locations

Online

Pursue a next-generation education with an online degree from FordBridge. Earn your degree with convenience and flexibility with online courses that let you study anytime, anywhere. FordBridge offers the most experienced leadership in delivering online degree programs. Full-time faculty members and fully trained adjunct instructors, equipped with strong academic backgrounds and practical experience in their fields, support you every step of the way. Designed with the career-oriented professional in mind, our online classes provide an intimate environment that stimulates engaging and challenging discussions. Choose from programs across our distinct colleges, in high-demand employment areas. Classes begin frequently.

* Please note that this list may contain programs that are not presently offered as program availability may vary depending on class size, enrollment and other contributing factors. If you are interested in a program listed herein please first contact your University Counselor for the most current information regarding availability of the program.