POST-BACCALAUREATE CERTIFICATE IN SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH METHODS

Web Site: https://twu.edu/sociology/graduate-programs/post-baccalaureate-certificates/

The Department of Sociology offers a Certificate in Social Science Research Methods. This certificate will prepare students to work in applied and institutional research settings. The courses required for the Social Science Research Methods Certificate focus on the understanding and application of social science research methods commonly used in the public and private sectors. The graduate certificate is open to students enrolled in any graduate program at Texas Woman's University as well as to qualified individuals seeking only the Social Science Research Methods Certificate.

Marketable Skills
Defined by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board’s 60x30 Strategic Plan (http://www.60x30tx.com/) as, ‘Those skills valued by employers that can be applied in a variety of work settings, including interpersonal, cognitive, and applied skills areas. These skills can be either primary or complementary to a major and are acquired by students through education, including curricular, co-curricular, and extracurricular activities.’

1. Identify and use quantitative and qualitative research methods for social research.
2. Select appropriate statistical techniques to answer basic research questions, perform basic statistical analysis using computer software, and interpret results.

Admissions
All students must meet the University requirements as outlined in the Admission to the TWU Graduate School (http://catalog.twu.edu/graduate/graduate-school/admission-graduate-school/) section of the catalog.

This academic program may have additional admission criteria that must also be completed as outlined on the program’s website.

Degree Requirements
Total Semester Credit Hours Required
18 semester credit hours (SCH).

All coursework to be completed with an average of B or higher.

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Other courses may be selected as electives with the approval of the Chair or Graduate Advisor of the Department of Sociology and may be repeated when topics vary.

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