

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY

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Effective August 1, 2021: *The programs in Sociology are now in the Department of Social Sciences and Historical Studies.*

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Graduate Degrees Offered

- M.A. in Sociology (<http://catalog.twu.edu/graduate/arts-sciences/sociology/sociology-ma/>)
- M.A. in Sociology (*Criminology Concentration*)
- Ph.D. in Sociology (<http://catalog.twu.edu/graduate/arts-sciences/sociology/sociology-phd/>)

Master of Arts in Sociology

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Doctor of Philosophy in Sociology

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The Doctor of Philosophy degree in Sociology is offered through a cooperative program of the Federation of North Texas Area Universities that includes Texas Woman's University, the University of North Texas, and Texas A&M – Commerce. The Ph.D. in Sociology is granted by Texas Woman's University and the University of North Texas. Students apply for acceptance into the Ph.D. program through one of the participating universities. Together the two universities offer graduate training in various aspects of sociology along with opportunities in the area of sociological practice. Ph.D. students enrolled at either TWU or UNT take courses at both universities, thus benefiting from the combined faculties and facilities of both schools. Students graduating from the Federation program will be granted the Ph.D. from the university through which they entered the program.