

UNC Sociology Internship



Syllabus and Learning Agreement

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Sociology Internships provide external experience that complements the applied academic program. The internship provides students with supervised field experience in a social agency or organization. Internships will help the student utilize critical thinking and analytical skills, explore future career paths, improve skills, and expand a network of professionals and mentors. The student is responsible for securing placement prior to course enrollment. Credit can be earned only for work completed during the semester in which the student is enrolled in the course. This course is graded on a Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory basis.

SOC 491 (3-9 credit hours total)

Students must register for a minimum of 3 credit hours. A maximum of 6 credit hours is possible during one semester, but only 3 can be used toward the SOC major or minor. Credit hours over 3 will count as university electives toward the 120 hours needed to graduate. Prerequisites for the course include that the student must: be a SOC major or minor, have Junior standing at beginning of internship, have completed 12 credits of coursework at beginning of internship, have a GPA of 2.4 or higher (preferred).

SOC 691 (3-9 credit hours total)

Graduate students completing an internship gain experience working in a capacity that would be expected of a master's level professional. Ideally, the student will develop a research project compatible with or desired by the internship organization while enrolled in the first 3 credits. The next 3 credits would then consist of data collection, analysis, and Research Report preparation in lieu of the Master's Thesis. If it is not feasible to conduct research at the internship placement, the student will collect new or secondary data, analyze it, and complete a report during the second 3 credits. Graduate students completing an MA Thesis may secure an internship as a course elective.

HOW TO ENROLL

Students are responsible for securing an internship placement and meeting with a UNC Sociology faculty member to request supervision of the internship. Some agencies are listed on the [Sociology Internships page](#) and other resources are available via the [UNC Career Readiness Center](#). Students will submit this completed form back to their UNC faculty internship supervisor.

Student Internship Learning Agreement

Internship Start Date _____ and End Date: _____

Bear Mail: _____

By signing this Agreement, you consent to and assume the responsibilities listed:

- Meet and coordinate regularly, and document your experiences as determined in collaboration with your Sociology faculty internship supervisor
- Meet all outcomes and expectations set forth in this learning agreement and by the employer/field supervisor
- Uphold the [UNC Student Code of Professional Conduct](#)
- Complete 35 hours of internship time per credit hour and submit signed [Internship Hours Log](#)
- Job Description (complete with input from field supervisor/employer)

- Learning Goals/Outcomes (complete with input from UNC Sociology faculty supervisor)

- Assessments (e.g., weekly journal, final paper) (complete with input from UNC Sociology faculty supervisor)

Student Signature

Printed Name

Date

Field Supervisor Internship Learning Agreement (to be completed by employer)

Agency Name _____ Supervisor Title: _____

Email _____

By signing this Agreement, you consent to and assume the responsibilities listed:

- Provide supervision of on-the-job duties (not including any academic responsibilities).
- If this is a paid internship, pursuant to Colorado Revised Statute 8-40-302(7)(b), all paid interns are to be covered by worker's compensation insurance like other paid employees.
- Complete the Internship Evaluation Form to the faculty sponsor at the end of the internship

Signature

Printed Name

Date

University Sponsorship (to be completed by Faculty Internship Advisor)

Course Number _____ # of credits: _____

Email _____

By signing this Internship Learning Agreement, you consent to and assume the responsibilities listed below (please read and sign):

- Assist student in the formulation of clear, measurable, and developmental learning outcomes for the internship experience
- Meet regularly with the student; assess the student's learning and achievement

Signature

Printed Name

Date