



*Dear Prospective Applicant:*

*Notre Dame Sociology is on the move. While many universities are facing severe budget constraints, our department has hired many outstanding new faculty members in recent years and we plan to add even more in the near future. Our faculty members, both old and new, have earned national and international recognition and acclaim.*

*We are also very proud of our graduate students. These students come to us because they seek rigorous training and because we offer them the resources and individualized attention that they require to reach their goals. Currently we have over 50 graduate students in residence. These students are engaged in research on a wide variety of topics. Their energy and innovative ideas contribute mightily to a stimulating intellectual environment in the department and in the university. Our students win major awards, fellowships, and grants. They publish research in strong journals, they write books, and they present papers at academic conferences. As a result, our students do very well on the job market with a Notre Dame Ph.D. in hand.*

*The graduate program's primary mission is to help students to become outstanding sociologists. To accomplish this objective, we believe it is important for graduate students to work with faculty on research projects. Most of our students, therefore, earn stipends by working as a research assistant. The department also promotes and supports graduate students' independent research in a wide variety of ways. Many students, for example, participate in research training seminars each semester. In these training seminars, students meet regularly with faculty members and graduate students who share common substantive interests to exchange ideas, suggestions, and moral support.*

*The department offers generous financial aid packages to our students. Indeed, financial support, resources for research, and individualized attention from our outstanding faculty make Notre Dame an ideal training ground for aspiring sociologists. Please feel free to write, call, email or visit our website for more information.*

*Sincerely,  
Rory McVeigh  
Director of Graduate Studies*

THE UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME'S Department of Sociology offers training leading to two graduate degrees: the master of arts (MA) and the doctor of philosophy (PhD). Although the MA degree is available to graduate students, admission is given to applicants whose goal is the doctorate.

Faculty teaching and research interests are diverse and cut across the discipline's primary subfields. The department is especially strong in the sociology of education, religion, family, and social movements/political sociology.

The graduate program provides all students with a strong foundation in social theory and research methods. Students also develop expertise in specific fields within the discipline. The program's primary goal is to help students to become

outstanding independent scholars and teachers who will make important contributions to a wider body of knowledge.

Notre Dame provides a supportive environment for sociological research and graduate training. Students work closely with faculty members who are engaged in cutting edge research and who are leaders and innovators in their fields. The University's Computing Center makes large-capacity, late-generation networked equipment available to graduate students, for whom several microcomputing labs are also available. The University library system has a collection with nearly 3 million volumes, is an access point for hundreds of electronic resources, and houses a document center with over 800,000 United States government documents.

Faculty affiliations with on-campus institutes and research centers provide additional resources for graduate students. These centers include the Institute for Educational Initiatives; the Center for the Study of American Religion; the Center for the Study of Social Movements and Social Change; the Helen Kellogg Institute for International Studies; the Joan B. Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies; the Institute for Latino Studies; the Higgins Labor Research Center. For a detailed description of the degree requirements, please see the department website at <http://www.nd.edu/~soc>.

### Financial Aid

The Sociology Department offers financial aid in the form of fellowships, graduate assistantships, and tuition scholarships. Most incoming students receive either a

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fellowship or assistantship which provides full tuition plus a stipend for living expenses for at least four years, contingent upon making satisfactory progress in the program. Those receiving graduate assistantships are assigned to faculty to either work on research projects or to assist them in teaching courses. Most stipends for the 2006-2007 academic year are \$15,000. Given the low cost of living in South Bend, our stipends are very competitive.

The department awards five competitive dissertation fellowships. These permit advanced students to work full time on their dissertations without other obligations. Advanced students are also given opportunities to teach their own courses. The department has a professional development fund for graduate students which, among other things, helps students defray the costs of attending academic conferences. The department also encourages and assists students in applying to outside sources for grants and financial aid.

### Faculty

**Joan Aldous** (Minnesota, 1963). Family, gender studies, policy.

**Jorge Bustamante** (Notre Dame, 1975). Mexico-United States border studies, international migration, development.

**William Carbonaro** (Wisconsin-Madison, 2000). Sociology of education, stratification, research methods, organizations, and political sociology.

**Gilberto Cárdenas** (Notre Dame, 1977). Race and ethnicity, immigration, historical and comparative sociology, visual sociology.

**Kevin J. Christiano** (Princeton, 1983). Religion, historical sociology, social stratification.

**Leonard F. Chrobot** (Wayne State, 1975). Ethnicity, theory, historical development.

**Jessica Collet** (Arizona, 2006). Social psychology, justice, religion, culture, methods, inequality, family, education

**Robert M. Fishman** (Yale, 1985). Comparative and political sociology, theory and history of social thought, twentieth-century Spain.

**David S. Hachen Jr.** (Wisconsin, 1983). Labor markets, social stratification and mobility, organizations, methods and statistics.

**Maureen T. Hallinan** (Chicago, 1972). Sociology of education, methods and statistics, social psychology.

**Eugene W. Halton** (Chicago, 1979). Theory, modern culture, urban.

**Sean Kelly** (Wisconsin-Madison, 2005). Sociology of education, social stratification, quantitative methods and social psychology.

**David M. Klein** (Minnesota, 1978). Family, sociology of science, theory.

**Omar Lizardo** (Arizona, 2006). Sociology of taste and consumption, philosophy of social science, globalization and culture, social psychology, sociology of religion, sociology of emotions, culture and social networks, culture and cognition, gender, world systems analysis.

**Rory M. McVeigh** (North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 1996). Social inequality, political sociology, social movements, racial and ethnic conflict.

**Daniel J. Myers** (Wisconsin, 1997). Collective behavior and social movements, political sociology, social psychology, methods and statistics.

**AnnMarie Power** (Notre Dame, 1999). Education, children, social psychology, urban sociology.

**David Sikkink** (North Carolina, 1998). Education, religion, culture, political sociology, methods and statistics.

**Christian Smith** (Harvard, 1990). Religion, culture, adolescents, social movements, social identity, Latin America, qualitative methods.

**Jackie Smith** (Notre Dame, 1996). Social movements, collective behavior, international politics.

**Juliana Sobolewski** (Pennsylvania State, 2003). Family, parent-child relationships, co-parenting, work and family.

**Lynette P. Spillman** (UC Berkeley, 1991). Sociology of culture, social theory, and political and comparative-historical sociology.

**Erika Summers-Effler** (Pennsylvania, 2004). Theory, social movements, gender, culture, religion.

**J. Samuel Valenzuela** (Columbia, 1979). Development, and political and comparative-historical sociology.

**Andrew J. Weigert** (Minnesota, 1968). Symbolic interaction, environment, religion.

**Michael R. Welch** (North Carolina, 1980). Religion, social psychology, survey research.

**Richard A. Williams** (Wisconsin, 1986). Methods and statistics, social psychology, demography.

### Online Application

The application deadline is **January 15 for Fall semester entry**. Applicants are encouraged to complete and submit the online application for graduate admission, available at: <http://graduateschool.nd.edu>.

### Further Information

For further information about the graduate program, please contact:

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