SOCIOLOGY

Fields of Research
The program reflects the special expertise of the staff faculty and utilizes the unique facilities offered by the Kingston community. The program reflects the special expertise in the following areas:

- Critical Sociological Theory, including Marxism and Critical Race Theory
- Deviance and Criminology (especially among young offenders)
- Criminal Justice and Policing
- Feminist Sociology
- Social Movements
- Sociology of Cities and Urban Sociology
- Sociology of Law
- Sociology of Sport
- Cybersecurity and Surveillance
- Science and Technology Studies
- Digital Media and Culture
- Visual Culture

Research Methods
The Graduate program is divided into three fields:

- Power, Inequalities and Social Justice;
- Criminology and Law; Media
- Information and Surveillance.

Financial Assistance
The minimum guaranteed funding package for Ph.D. students is $23,000 per year for four years and $16,000 for MA students per year for two years. Successful candidates are guaranteed annual funding for up to 2 years for Master’s students and up to 4 years for Ph.D. students. Master’s students receive a minimum of $16,000 for years 1 and 2 of their program and Ph.D. students receive a minimum of $23,000 for years 1 to 4 of their program.

Departmental Facilities
The Department of Sociology has its own computer lab for Sociology graduate students in Mac-Corry D432.

The Stauffer Library contains a well-developed collection of nineteenth, twentieth and twenty first century Canadian books, newspapers, periodicals and government documents. It subscribes electronically to most major journals. The United Nations Documents Library contains the reports of many international bodies. The Law Library and the Health Sciences Library have substantial collections pertinent to the sociological study of these areas.

Resources in Gender Studies include library holdings of over 5,000 volumes. The Ban Righ Foundation provides weekly programs and serves as a resource centre for women.

Students in Sociology can draw upon the resources of the many professional Faculties and Schools which are at Queen’s including Law, Medicine, Education, Kinesiology and Health Studies, Policy Studies, Environmental Studies, Urban and Regional Planning, Public Administration, Business, and the Industrial Relations Centre.

These cooperative relationships, together with a provision that enables students to take courses in other departments within the Faculty of Arts and Science, provide the opportunity for interdisciplinary scholarly work. The interdisciplinary Surveillance Studies Centre is located within the department, providing many resources for graduate students within Sociology and other departments.