Master’s in Applied Sociology

Application Checklist

- University Application Deadline: April 15, 2012.
- Department Application Deadline: April 15, 2012.
- An application packet MUST be complete prior to submitting it to the Department of Sociology. (See checklist below.)
- Incomplete and late applications will not be evaluated.
- All materials submitted to the Department of Sociology become official University property.

Please complete this form.

Name: _______________________________________________________   Date Submitted: ______________

Application for Fall Semester ________ (year)

Expected Concentration in Applied Sociology (please indicate):

- Community Development and Social Change: ______
- Sociology of Health and Medicine: ______

Initial that each document has been included in your admissions packet.

- Completed Application, Signed and Dated
- Statement of Purpose
- Writing Sample (paper or report that you feel best showcases your interests, abilities, and potential)
- Official Transcripts (submitted to University Enrollment Services and the Department of Sociology)
- Official GRE Scores

List your three references. Letters of recommendation with recommendation forms in signed and sealed envelopes must be included in your application packet.

1. _____________________________________________________________________________________
2. _____________________________________________________________________________________
3. _____________________________________________________________________________________

- University application--University deadline is April 15, 2012. Apply online at csumentor.edu.

Apply first to the University, and then submit your application to the Department of Sociology. (Please note the Department DOES NOT accept electronic applications.)

Attach this completed cover sheet to your MA Application once you have collected the above documents. You may either mail it to the address below or deliver it yourself in person.

California State University
Director, MA Program in Sociology
Department of Sociology
1250 Bellflower Blvd
Long Beach CA 90840

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY:
Admission to the department of Sociology MA Program is contingent upon admission to the University by Enrollment Services. The University application is a separate process. Official copies of transcripts from all colleges and/or universities attended should be submitted to University Enrollment Services. Your online application to the University requires a $55.00 fee in order to be processed. (Please note that fee waivers are available for eligible applicants.) There is no application fee for the Department of Sociology.

The Department of Sociology will not process any incomplete applications.

Applicant Signature ___________________________  Date ______________
APPLICATION DEADLINE: April 15, 2012
(Please Type or Print Legibly in Black Ink)

Last 4 digits of SSI #: ____________________  CSULB Campus ID: ____________________     NA [   ]

Name: ______________________________________________________________________________________________
     First    Middle Initial    Last    Maiden

Address: ____________________________________________________________________________________________
          Street    City    State    Zipcode

Cell Phone: ______________________________   Home Phone ________________________________

Email address: ______________________________________________

Male [   ] Female [   ]    U.S. Citizen: Yes [   ] No [   ]    Permanent Resident: Yes [   ] No [   ]

Race/Ethnicity  
[   ] African American/Black  [   ] American Indian/Native American   [   ] Asian/Asian American
[   ] Latino/Hispanic   [   ] Pacific Islander   [   ] White
[   ] Multiracial   [   ] Decline to State

International Students:

Non-Resident International?  [   ] Yes  [   ] No  [   ] N/A

If Yes, include transcripts and contact the Center for International Education at (562) 985-5476, if you have not already done so. This is a critical step in the admissions process. Applicants who possess a bachelor’s degree from a college or university where English is not the principle language of instruction must pass the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL). You may wish to visit their website for more information at www.ccpe.csulb.edu/international
Prerequisite Courses

1. Statistics: (in any subject area)
   
   Course Number and Title: ___________________________  Semester and Year: _____________
   
   College or University:  _________________________________________ Grade: ____________

2. Theory:
   
   Course Number and Title: ___________________________ Semester and Year _____________
   
   College or University:  _________________________________________ Grade: ____________

3. Methods:
   
   Course Number and Title: ___________________________  Semester and Year: ____________
   
   College or University:  _________________________________________ Grade: ____________

GRE Scores: Please be sure to also submit official scores.

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Academic Record

Transcripts:
List all your academic work beyond high school. Please request an official transcript from each college or university attended to be sent directly to both the Sociology Department and to University Enrollment Services.

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Grade Point Average:

Cumulative GPA: __________________________  Major GPA: ________________
Indicate your proficiency in other languages in which you have competence.

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Experience

Employment History: List your most recent job first. Include all paid and volunteer experience. Provide a detailed description of your job duties. Attach additional pages if necessary. **Do not attach a resume in place of completing this form.**

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Place of Employment: ______________________

Position: ________________________________

Street Address  City  State  Zipcode

Duties: ______________________________________________________________________________________________________________

Start Date: _________________  End Date: ______________

How Did You Learn About Our Program? (Check all that apply)

[ ] CSULB Information Meeting  [ ] University Career/Grad Day Location
[ ] Personal Reference  [ ] Sociology Publication
[ ] Department Website
[ ] Other: ________________________________________________________________
Personal Statement

Please submit a typed personal statement, 3 – 4 pages in length, double spaced, in 12 pt Times New Roman font.

Note: The CSU Mentor asks for your personal statement; please indicate that you are submitting your statement directly to the Sociology Department.

Your personal statement should say something about your experiences (academic, work, volunteer, and personal). Discuss your interests and your career/degree plans. You should also specifically address your interests in applied sociology, your professional or personal goals in seeking a graduate degree, how your interests relate to your concentration of choice, and any special skills or experiences you bring to the program.
LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

To be completed by the applicant:

Name of Applicant ___________________________ Date of Request ___________________________

Referent’s Name ___________________________ Referent’s Occupation ___________________________

In accordance with the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, I give permission to release confidential information for the purpose of application to the Master of Applied Sociology Program.

I do [ ] do not [ ] wish to waive my right to review this reference.

Applicant’s Signature ___________________________ Date ___________________________

The above-named individual has applied for admission to the MA Program in Applied Sociology at California State University, Long Beach. Your assessment of the applicant will assist the Admissions Committee. This form is provided for your convenience. The provisions of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, apply to the contents of this form.

To be completed by referent: The Department is particularly interested in an evaluation of the applicant’s potential for academic and professional achievement in applied sociology. Explicit descriptions of academic strengths and weaknesses are more helpful to the candidate than routine praise. Comments about character, ability to work effectively with others, integrity, and motivation are also appreciated. The experience upon which the opinion of the writer is based should be described.

Rankings should be related to other students in the same class or academic program, or other persons of comparable experience. Please describe the comparison group you are using:

___________________________________________________________________________

In addition to the following information, please attach your letter of recommendation, printed on your institution’s letterhead, to this completed document. Please rate the applicant in the following categories.

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OVERALL RECOMMENDATION (check one):

[ ] Highly recommended.
[ ] Recommended.
[ ] Recommended with reservations
[ ] Not recommended; I do not think the applicant is suited for this program.

Signature: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________

Name (print): ___________________________ Title: ___________________________

Institution: _____________________________________________________________

Address: ______________________________________________________________

Telephone: ___________________________ E-mail Address: ___________________________