



## HOW DOES YOUR DEPARTMENT COMPARE?

A Peer Analysis from the AY 2000-2001 Survey of  
Baccalaureate and Graduate Programs in Sociology

Tables

Part 3

Characteristics of Graduate Programs

**Table 3.1A. Applications, Admissions, and Registrations for Graduate Study in Sociology Programs for Fall 2001 by Institution Type.**

Institution Type		Applications		Admissions		Registered for Classes	
		Masters	PhD	Masters	PhD	Masters	PhD
<b>Research I</b>	Mean	30.1	82.6	10.9	18.4	5.8	9.2
	Median	21.0	63.0	9.0	13.0	5.5	7.0
	<N of Students>	<873>	<4,872>	<326>	<1,124>	<161>	<543>
	(N of Programs)	(29)	(59)	(30)	(61)	(28)	(59)
<b>Research II</b>	Mean	18.4	39.2	10.4	9.6	6.5	5.6
	Median	16.0	36.0	10.0	8.0	6.0	4.0
	<N of Students>	<350>	<510>	<208>	<134>	<130>	<79>
	(N of Programs)	(19)	(13)	(20)	(14)	(20)	(14)
<b>Doctoral I</b>	Mean	17.3	34.3	10.8	14.6	6.7	7.7
	Median	17.0	27.5	8.0	12.0	6.0	7.0
	<N of Students>	<374>	<329>	<247>	<157>	<154>	<83>
	(N of Programs)	(22)	(10)	(23)	(11)	(23)	(11)
<b>Doctoral II</b>	Mean	16.5	8.0	11.2	2.0	8.1	0.0
	Median	14.5	8.0	11.0	2.0	8.0	0.0
	<N of Students>	<297>	<8>	<202>	<2>	<145>	<0>
	(N of Programs)	(18)	(1)	(18)	(1)	(18)	(1)
<b>Masters I</b>	Mean	14.0	8.3	11.0	8.7	7.9	6.3
	Median	11.5	6.5	9.0	11.0	7.0	9.0
	<N of Students>	<641>	<45>	<490>	<35>	<308>	<26>
	(N of Programs)	(46)	(5)	(45)	(4)	(39)	(4)
<b>Masters II</b>	Mean	10.0	N/A	5.0	N/A	5.0	N/A
	Median	10.0	N/A	5.0	N/A	5.0	N/A
	<N of Students>	<12>	N/A	<6>	N/A	<6>	N/A
	(N of Programs)	(1)	N/A	(1)	N/A	(1)	N/A
<b>All Programs</b>	Mean	18.7	64.6	10.7	15.8	6.9	8.1
	Median	15.0	37.5	10.0	12.0	6.0	6.2
	<N of Students>	<2,548>	<5,763>	<1,479>	<1,452>	<904>	<730>
	(N of Programs)	(136)	(89)	(138)	(92)	(130)	(90)

Source: ASA, *Survey of Baccalaureate and Graduate Programs in Sociology, 2000-2001*.

Table 3.1A shows that programs at Research I institutions had the largest number of applications and were the most selective in their acceptances at both the masters and the PhD-level. Programs at Masters I institutions had the highest number of students registering for classes.

**Table 3.1B. Graduate Student Applicants who were Admitted and who Registered for Classes by Institution Type in Fall 2001.**

		Percentage of Applications who were Accepted		Percentage of Students who were Admitted who Registered	
		Masters Programs	PhD Programs	Masters Programs	PhD Programs
Institution Type					
Research I	Mean <sup>a</sup>	47.8	36.2	50.7	57.8
	Median <sup>a</sup>	46.2	29.4	45.3	50.0
	(N of Programs)	(27)	(59)	(26)	(59)
Research II	Mean	62.8	38.8	74.5	74.0
	Median	66.7	36.4	86.4	78.9
	(N of Programs)	(19)	(13)	(20)	(14)
Doctoral I	Mean	69.6	65.4	72.0	66.2
	Median	83.3	70.5	77.8	58.3
	(N of Programs)	(22)	(10)	(23)	(11)
Doctoral II	Mean	70.0	25.0	75.2	0.0
	Median	73.8	25.0	71.3	0.0
	(N of Programs)	(18)	(1)	(18)	(1)
Masters I	Mean	78.6	79.8	75.7	74.2
	Median	80.0	79.8	80.0	74.2
	(N of Programs)	(41)	(3)	(36)	(3)
Masters II	Mean	50.0	N/A	100.0	N/A
	Median	50.0	N/A	100.0	N/A
	(N of Programs)	(1)	N/A	(1)	N/A
Total	Mean	66.7	41.2	69.8	61.3
	Median	73.7	33.3	69.1	57.0
	(N of Programs)	(127)	(85)	(124)	(88)

Source: ASA, *Survey of Baccalaureate and Graduate Programs in Sociology, 2000-2001*.

<sup>a</sup> Mean and median percent per program with MA or PhD programs.

Table 3.1B shows that, on average, sociology programs accepted 67 percent of masters-level applicants and 41 percent of PhD-level applicants. Of those admitted to MA-level programs, about 70 percent registered, on average. Of those accepted to PhD programs, about 61 percent registered, on average. There are statistically significant differences in the number of applications, admissions, and registrations among different types of institutions.

**Table 3.2. Average Graduate Student Enrollments in Programs by Institution Type, 2000-2001.**

Institution Type		Total Graduate Student Enrollments		Part-time Graduate Student Enrollments		Full-time Graduate Student Enrollments	
		Masters	PhD	Masters	PhD	Masters	PhD
Research I	Mean	13.7	54.3	2.4	6.6	11.0	48.0
	Median	13.0	44.5	1.0	4.0	11.0	37.0
	(N of Programs)	(26)	(60)	(21)	(48)	(23)	(59)
Research II	Mean	18.1	38.8	5.7	9.9	12.9	28.2
	Median	17.0	40.0	5.0	6.0	12.0	24.0
	(N of Programs)	(16)	(13)	(15)	(13)	(16)	(13)
Doctoral I	Mean	23.2	41.7	11.9	19.2	11.4	20.4
	Median	19.0	45.0	10.0	12.0	9.5	14.0
	(N of Programs)	(23)	(12)	(20)	(11)	(22)	(11)
Doctoral II	Mean	23.9	23.0	11.9	1.0	11.8	22.0
	Median	19.0	23.0	11.0	1.0	9.5	22.0
	(N of Programs)	(17)	(1)	(15)	(1)	(16)	(1)
Masters I	Mean	27.2	29.0	16.4	12.5	11.0	16.5
	Median	20.0	29.0	11.5	12.5	10.0	16.5
	(N of Programs)	(42)	(3)	(43)	(3)	(41)	(3)
Masters II	Mean		N/A	15.0	N/A		N/A
	Median	<sup>a</sup>	N/A	15.0	N/A	<sup>a</sup>	N/A
	(N of Programs)		N/A	(1)	N/A		N/A
All Programs	Mean	21.8	48.6	11.1	9.1	11.5	40.3
	Median	17.6	42.0	8.0	6.0	11.0	31.7
	(N of Programs)	(125)	(90)	(116)	(76)	(117)	(87)

Source: ASA, *Survey of Baccalaureate and Graduate Programs in Sociology*, 2000-2001.

<sup>a</sup> No responses reported in this cell.

Table 3.2 shows that the average sociology program has 21.8 graduate students enrolled in masters-level programs and more than twice as many (48.6) enrolled in PhD programs. PhD students are more likely to be enrolled full-time than are MA-level students, regardless of the type of institution, although the share in each category varies by institution type.

**Table 3.3. Graduate Student Enrollments in Sociology Programs by Selected Race/Ethnicity Groups and Institution Type, 2000-2001.**

Institution Type		White		Black		Hispanic		Asian	
		MA Students	PhD Students	MA Students	PhD Students	MA Students	PhD Students	MA Students	PhD Students
Research I	Mean	8.2	32.0	1.6	4.8	1.0	3.7	1.0	3.4
	% of Students <sup>a</sup>	70.3%	70.5%	13.9%	12.3%	7.5%	7.2%	7.3%	7.4%
Research II	Mean	14.3	25.4	1.7	1.7	0.7	1.7	0.4	1.1
	% of Students	83.5%	82.1%	9.1%	5.4%	4.2%	5.1%	2.0%	2.2%
Doctoral I	Mean	17.1	25.1	2.1	5.8	0.8	1.3	1.0	0.9
	% of Students	72.9%	73.9%	8.3%	12.7%	4.9%	2.5%	11.9%	1.9%
Doctoral II	Mean	12.6	20.0	1.5	0.0	0.6	2.0	0.9	0.5
	% of Students	76.4%	87.0%	14.4%	0.0%	1.3%	8.7%	4.0%	4.4%
Masters I	Mean	15.3	17.5	2.8	0.5	3.7	0.0	1.0	1.0
	% of Students	61.4%	84.3%	20.1%	7.1%	13.8%	0.0%	2.5%	1.4%
Masters II	Mean	13.0	N/A	2.0	N/A	0.0	N/A	0.0	N/A
	% of Students	86.7%	N/A	13.3%	N/A	0.0%	N/A	0.0%	N/A
All Programs	Mean	13.5	29.4	2.1	4.3	1.7	3.0	0.9	2.6
	(N of Programs)	(103)	(85)	(105)	(85)	(97)	(81)	(100)	(83)

Source: ASA, *Survey of Baccalaureate and Graduate Programs in Sociology, 2000-2001*.

<sup>a</sup>Note: the percent of masters students by race and ethnicity will add to 100% as will the percent of PhD students by race and ethnicity.

Table 3.3 shows that, on average, programs at Research I universities have a higher percentage of minority students at the PhD-level than do programs at other types of institutions (the differences are statistically significant). Programs at Masters I institutions have the highest percentage of minority students at the MA-level.

**Table 3.4. Men and Women Enrolled in Sociology Graduate Programs by Institution Type, 2000-2001.**

Institution Type		Men		Women		All Graduate Students	
		MA Students	PhD Students	MA Students	PhD Students	MA Students	PhD Students
Research I	Mean	7.1	25.2	12.7	48.4	19.8	73.6
	% of Students <sup>a</sup>	33.5%	34.8%	66.5%	65.1%	100.0%	100.0%
Research II	Mean	9.8	21.9	21.6	38.6	31.4	57.8
	% of Students	32.3%	38.0%	67.7%	61.9%	100.0%	100.0%
Doctoral I	Mean	10.1	25.3	26.4	33.0	35.9	58.3
	% of Students	24.7%	37.4%	75.3%	62.6%	100.0%	100.0%
Doctoral II	Mean	7.8	4.5	20.4	17.0	28.3	21.5
	% of Students	25.1%	20.9%	75.0%	79.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Masters I	Mean	10.5	19.0	25.9	19.0	35.3	38.0
	% of Students	29.7%	0.5	70.3%	0.5	100.0%	1.0
Masters II	Mean	5.0	N/A	23.0	N/A	28.0	N/A
	% of Students	17.9%	N/A	82.1%	N/A	100.0%	N/A
All Programs	Mean	9.1	24.0	21.7	43.4	30.5	66.9
	% of Students	29.2%	35.9%	70.8%	64.1%	100.0%	100.0%
	(N of Programs)	(106)	(88)	(105)	(87)	(107)	(88)

Source: ASA, *Survey of Baccalaureate and Graduate Programs in Sociology*, 2000-2001.

<sup>a</sup> Note: the percent of male and female masters students will add to 100% as will the percent of male and female PhD students.

Table 3.4 shows that the number and percentage of men and women in graduate programs varies across institutional types, with the highest percentage of men at Research I institutions. Nonetheless, graduate enrollments are predominately female, across all graduate programs.

**Table 3.5. Male and Female Graduate Students Enrolled in Sociology Masters and PhD Programs by Race/Ethnicity and Institution Type, 2000-2001.**

		Masters			PhD		
		Men	Women	Percent Women <sup>a</sup>	Men	Women	Percent Women
Research I	White	2.9	5.3	69.5%	10.9	21.1	65.9%
	Black	0.6	1.0	61.9%	1.5	3.4	67.1%
	Hispanic	0.5	0.5	51.9%	1.7	2.1	60.0%
	Asian	0.4	0.6	77.9%	1.3	2.2	72.7%
	All Others	0.1	0.1	66.7%	0.6	1.1	80.1%
Research II	White	4.5	9.8	67.7%	9.3	17.3	62.8%
	Black	0.6	1.1	69.4%	0.5	1.3	73.8%
	Hispanic	0.3	0.5	64.6%	0.8	1.0	55.6%
	Asian	0.0	0.4	100.0%	0.8	0.4	47.5%
	All Others	0.1	0.2	66.7%	1.9	2.0	57.7%
Doctoral I	White	4.7	12.7	75.0%	11.1	14.0	60.5%
	Black	0.7	1.4	83.2%	2.6	3.2	68.5%
	Hispanic	0.0	0.0	54.2%	0.0	1.0	83.3%
	Asian	0.2	0.8	83.3%	0.3	0.6	86.7%
	All Others	0.4	0.6	76.7%	2.0	0.9	38.7%
Doctoral II	White	3.4	9.3	73.8%	4.0	16.0	80.0%
	Black	0.7	0.9	61.9%	<sup>b</sup>	<sup>b</sup>	<sup>b</sup>
	Hispanic	0.0	0.0	88.9%	1.0	1.0	50.0%
	Asian	0.3	0.6	71.0%	0.0	0.5	100.0%
	All Others	0.4	0.4	53.3%	<sup>b</sup>	<sup>b</sup>	<sup>b</sup>
Masters I	White	4.1	11.7	74.9%	9.0	8.5	49.1%
	Black	0.8	2.2	72.0%	<sup>b</sup>	<sup>b</sup>	<sup>b</sup>
	Hispanic	2.1	2.0	76.1%	<sup>b</sup>	<sup>b</sup>	<sup>b</sup>
	Asian	0.4	0.7	63.8%	0.0	1.0	100.0%
	All Others	0.1	0.5	71.4%	3.0	2.0	40.0%
Masters II	White	2.0	11.0	84.6%	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Black	1.0	1.0	50.0%	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Hispanic	<sup>b</sup>	<sup>b</sup>	<sup>b</sup>	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Asian	<sup>b</sup>	<sup>b</sup>	<sup>b</sup>	N/A	N/A	N/A
	All Others	<sup>b</sup>	<sup>b</sup>	<sup>b</sup>	N/A	N/A	N/A
All Programs	White	3.9	9.8	72.5%	10.5	19.1	64.4%
	Black	0.7	1.5	70.0%	1.5	2.9	68.6%
	Hispanic	0.9	0.9	65.9%	1.3	1.8	61.8%
	Asian	0.3	0.6	77.2%	1.0	1.7	72.5%
	All Others	0.2	0.4	67.7%	1.0	1.2	66.9%

Source: ASA, *Survey of Baccalaureate and Graduate Programs in Sociology, 2000-2001.*

<sup>a</sup> The percentage of students within each race/ethnicity category who are female.

<sup>b</sup> No responses reported in this cell.

Table 3.5 shows that there are significant differences in the ratio of women to men across racial/ethnic groups and types of institutions. For example, the percentage of women in sociology PhD programs is highest among the small number of Asians, followed by Whites. Among Whites the percentage of women is lowest in programs at Research I and II institutions. Among Blacks the percentage of women is lowest in programs at Research I and Doctoral II institutions, although Doctoral I programs have the highest mean number of Blacks per program.

**Table 3.6. Sociology Masters and PhD Degrees Awarded by Type of Institution, 2000-2001.**

Institution Type		Number of PhDs	Number of Masters
Research I	Mean per Program	6.0	6.3
	Median	5.0	5.0
	<N of Degrees>	<362>	<365>
	(N of Programs)	(60)	(58)
Research II	Mean per Program	2.8	5.0
	Median	3.0	4.0
	<N of Degrees>	<50>	<125>
	(N of Programs)	(18)	(25)
Doctoral I	Mean per Program	3.3	7.1
	Median	3.0	7.0
	<N of Degrees>	<52>	<180>
	(N of Programs)	(16)	(25)
Doctoral II	Mean per Program	0.0	5.4
	Median	0.0	5.5
	<N of Degrees>	<0>	<87>
	(N of Programs)	(5)	(16)
Masters I	Mean per Program	0.8	5.1
	Median	0.0	4.0
	<N of Degrees>	<18>	<215>
	(N of Programs)	(23)	(42)
Masters II	Mean per Program	N/A	N/A
	Median	N/A	N/A
	<N of Degrees>	N/A	N/A
	(N of Programs)	N/A	N/A
All Programs	Mean per Program	3.7	5.6
	Median	3.0	4.0
	<N of Degrees>	<481>	<972>
	(N of Programs)	(129)	(172)

Source: ASA, *Survey of Baccalaureate and Graduate Programs in Sociology, 2000-2001*.

Table 3.6 shows that sociology programs at Research I universities award significantly more PhDs than programs at other types of institutions, while other types of programs grant more masters degrees than programs at Research I universities. Nonetheless, programs at Research I institutions award the highest number of masters and PhD degrees.

**Table 3.7. Graduate Sociology Programs with Grants Employing Postdoctoral Fellows and with Training Grants for Postdoctoral Fellows by Institution Type, 2000-2001.**

Institution Type		Research Grants	Training Grants
Research I	Percent of all Programs (N of Programs with Grant)	14.3 (10)	12.9 (9)
Research II	Percent of all Programs (N of Programs with Grant)	9.7 (3)	0.0 (0)
Doctoral I	Percent of all Programs (N of Programs with Grant)	11.6 (4)	0.0 (0)
Doctoral II	Percent of all Programs (N of Programs with Grant)	7.3 (3)	0.0 (0)
Masters I	Percent of all Programs (N of Programs with Grant)	0.5 (1)	0.5 (1)
Masters II	Percent of all Programs (N of Programs with Grant)	0.0 (0)	0.0 (0)
All Graduate Institutions	Percent of all Programs (N of Programs with Grant)	4.3 (22)	2.0 (10)

Source: ASA, *Survey of Baccalaureate and Graduate Programs in Sociology, 2000-2001*.

Table 3.7 shows that sociology programs at Research I and Doctoral I institutions have a higher percentage of research grants employing postdoctoral fellows than programs at other types of institutions, although the percentage of programs with such grants is small. Only programs at Research I universities have training grants for postdoctoral fellows.