

GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN TEACHING SOCIOLOGY

The Graduate Certificate in Teaching Sociology will be offered to graduate students enrolled in the Masters Program in Sociology, interested in practical training in the process of teaching sociology at the college level.

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4 General Requirements

1. SEMINAR IN TEACHING SOCIOLOGY [SOC 559]—3 credits (Albanesi)

- Training in Syllabus development, pedagogy specific to sociology, and assessment
- In class and undergraduate guest lecture experience
- Instruction in integrating technology into teaching
- A minimum grade of 3.3 is required for the course to be applied toward the certificate.

2. TEACHING WORKSHOPS (CHOOSE A OR B)

A. KNAPSACK INSTITUTE TEACHING SEMINAR [SOC 501.2] – 3 credits (Ferber)

- See their website <http://www.uccs.edu/~knapsack/>
- Syllabi development and diversification
- Teaching about the concepts of privilege and oppression in the classroom
- Increase sensitivity to a variety of sociological phenomena that appear in university classrooms with regularity.

B. TEACHING WORKSHOPS – Equivalent of 5 days

- Signing up for 3 graduate credits for workshops is optional
- Offered through the Graduate Teacher Program of CU Denver and CU Boulder
 - College Teaching 101: A Workshop on College Teaching for Graduate Students (CU Denver – one day each August TBD)
 - Fall Intensive (CU Boulder –3 days each August)
 - Spring Conference (CU Boulder –2 days each January)

3. TEACHING ASSISTANTSHIP (CHOOSE A OR B)

A. TEACHING PRACTICUM – GRADUATE STUDENT INSTRUCTOR - [SOC 510]

- **3 credits**
- No financial compensation
- Each student will work as a Teaching Assistant for one semester (attend classes, help grade, hold review sessions for exams, etc.)
- Teaching assistants will teach at least two lectures/or components of lecture
- Teaching assistants will write a reflection paper at conclusion of course

B. PAID TEACHING ASSISTANTS

- Paid \$1250 for the semester
- Expectation of 10 hours/week (duties outlined in TA application)
- Teaching assistants will teach at least two lectures/or components of lecture
- Will register for a **1 credit independent study** and will write a reflection paper at conclusion of course

4. GRADUATE COURSE FACILITATION

Student will take a 3 credit graduate level course in sociology, in which they will bear the responsibility for facilitating course discussion on two separate occasions. Applicable courses must be approved in advance by the certificate coordinator.