

# APPLICATION FOR THE HONORS PROGRAM IN SOCIOLOGY

Thank you for your interest in the Honors Program in Sociology! To apply, you must have at least second-semester sophomore standing as a declared Sociology major with at least a 3.4 cumulative GPA and 3.5 major GPA.

Please submit your application materials in one email to <a href="mailto:socadvisor@umich.edu">socadvisor@umich.edu</a> with HONORS APP: FirstName LastName as the subject no later than <a href="mailto:Friday">Friday</a>, October 30, 2020. Please also arrange to have your letters of recommendation submitted by October 30.

In the submission email to socadvisor@umich.edu, please include:

- 1. your full name, UM-ID, and uniqname in the body of the email
- 2. Attach a **statement of intent** and a **writing sample** as two separate documents in PDF format using the titling convention examples below

#### STATEMENT OF INTENT

- Please write a statement describing your journey in Sociology, research interests / ideas for a thesis project, and explain how the Honors Program in Sociology fits into your future plans as a scholar or professional
- Your statement should be a concise and coherent paper that is 2 to 3 pages in length, typed and double-spaced with margins no smaller than 1 inch
- Name your statement of intent document LastName\_Statement.pdf

## **WRITING SAMPLE**

- Include an example of your best scholarly writing from an upper-level LSA course (preferably a SOC course) that meets the following criteria:
  - o the paper cannot be a journal entry, narrative, or reflection paper
  - o must be approximately 5-10 pages in length
  - o double-spaced with margins no smaller than 1 inch
- Name your writing sample document LastName\_Sample.pdf

## **LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION**

- Please arrange to submit **TWO** letters of recommendation from University of Michigan faculty members or GSIs (new transfer students may submit letters from instructors at their previous institution)
- The recommendations must include an evaluation of your ability to work independently
- Letters from Sociology faculty members or GSIs are strongly encouraged
- Letters should arrive separately from your application; arrange to have instructors send recommendations directly to <u>socadvisor@umich.edu</u> by October 30

### ADDENDUM

- If there are extenuating circumstances regarding your application to the Honors Program in Sociology which you would like the selection committee to consider in making their decision about your admission (e.g. low GPA), please explain the circumstances in an application addendum
- Name your addendum document LastName Addendum.pdf

The selection committee will also receive an unofficial transcript and/or a copy of any applicable transfer transcripts with your application for review. You do not need to submit any transcripts.

Please keep room in your Winter schedule to potentially add SOC 497. Decisions should be sent out later in November.