

## **SOCIOLOGY/ANTHROPOLOGY INTERNSHIP PROGRAM OBJECTIVES, GUIDELINES AND APPLICATION**

### **I. Objectives**

- A. To provide undergraduate and graduate students in Sociology and undergraduate Anthropology students an opportunity to combine classroom learning and practical.**
  - I. To enable these students to apply sociological or anthropological theories and research in the community setting.**
- B. To provide majors and minors in these two disciplines with practical work experience in their areas of training**
- C. To establish mutually beneficial cooperative arrangements with community agencies and organizations.**

### **II. Student Eligibility Requirements**

- A. Major or minor in Sociology or major or minor in Anthropology**
- B. Must be enrolled in the Sociology or Anthropology Internship course. (Undergraduate SY496 or AN496; Graduate SY 596). Gerontology internships (GRN 496 or GRN 596 may be accepted with approval of the advisor and the Gerontology program director).**
- C. Must complete prerequisites for the Internship Course.**
  - I. The prerequisite must be approved by the Internship Committee and must be related to the Internship placement. The prerequisite courses are selected from the following:**
    - a. For Sociology Undergraduates \***
      - SY 241: Criminology**
      - SY 242: Corrections**
      - SY 340: Juvenile Delinquency**
      - SY 372: Social Gerontology (W)**
      - SY 376: Modern Sociological Theory**
      - SY 381: Sociological Research Methods I (C)**
      - SY 382: Sociological Research Methods II (C)**
      - SY 410: Population (W)**
      - SY 412: Applied Sociology (W)**
      - SY 425: Urban Sociology (W)**

1. The needs and interests of both the student and the agency will be given consideration in placement decisions.
2. A student may make the initial contact with an agency to inquire about the nature and availability of the internships.

#### IV. Requirements for Completion of the Internship Course

- A. A student may take a total internship credit of 6 hours, with a minimum of 3 hours in a semester. Except in rare cases internship credits will be limited to 3 hours a semester.
- B. The student must complete a total of 100 hours (about 6 hours a week) of internship work (including orientation/training sessions) for three credit hours.
- C. Ideally, the intern will spend a minimum of three classroom hours to be allocated as follows: 1 hour at the beginning of the internship, 1 hour at mid-term, and 1 hour at the end of the semester. Under special circumstances, e.g., the internship program is outside of Mobile County, alternative arrangements will be made.
- D. A written report on the internship experience is required and will be an important basis for the course grade. As a rule, the report should include (but is not limited to) the following:
  1. A statement of the nature of the agency, its mission or goals, its history, sponsors, etc.
  2. The role that the intern played within the agency – the range and types of experiences provided the intern by the agency. This section of the report may include a daily log and/or citation of incidents/cases.
  3. A summary of the intern's experiences with the agency and, where feasible, a discussion of linkages between classroom concepts and theories and intern's observations.
  4. An analysis and/or critique of the intern's experience.
- E. A written assessment of the intern's performance will be required from the placement agency. This will also constitute a basis for evaluation of the student's over-all performance in the internship program. A supervisor evaluation form is provided to facilitate this assessment.
- F. These course requirements may be modified with the approval of the Internship Committee, the student's advisor and the appropriate program director or the department chair.

**INTERNSHIP APPLICATION**  
**University of South Alabama**  
**Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Social Work**

(Must be completed and approved prior to University Registration)

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Student Number \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (W) \_\_\_\_\_ Major \_\_\_\_\_

Cum Hrs \_\_\_\_\_ Cum GPA \_\_\_\_\_ Semester Requested \_\_\_\_\_

Course # \_\_\_\_\_ Section # \_\_\_\_\_ Cr. Hrs \_\_\_\_\_ CRN # \_\_\_\_\_

Area of Interest \_\_\_\_\_

Agency Requested \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Faculty Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_

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**Approvals:**

Advisor \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Faculty Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Internship Coordinator \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Departmental Chair \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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Internship Agency \_\_\_\_\_

Faculty Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_

Agency Supervisor/Title \_\_\_\_\_

Internship Semester \_\_\_\_\_

Agency Fit for Internship Placements (A,B,C,D,F) \_\_\_\_\_

**STUDENT INTERNSHIPS  
IN THE  
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY, ANTHROPOLOGY AND SOCIAL WORK**

**Information for Field Supervisors  
Internship Supervision Requirements**

Thank you for agreeing to supervise an intern in the University of South Alabama Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Social Work. Please confirm the number of credit hours for which your intern has registered. Three-hour internships carry the expectation of 6-8 hours per week at the job site for a total of 100 work hours; Six-hour internships carry the expectation of 12-16 hours per week at the job site for a total of 200 work hours. Internships begin the first week of classes and conclude the last class day of the semester. Internships coincide with the current class schedule in start and end dates and holidays. Work schedules are agreed upon by the intern and the Field Supervisor.

The Sociology or Anthropology curriculum committee has attempted to minimize the paper work required of Field Supervisors. We require only two written documents from you. If you would like to have further communication in person, by phone, or by e-mail, feel free to contact the Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Social Work at any time. Copies of the required documents are available in the Departmental office. It is our hope that your experience with our intern will be beneficial to your agency and personally rewarding for you.

Two Written documents are required from Field Supervisors:

- 1) Within one week of the beginning of the internship, the Field Supervisor should mail or fax to the Academic Supervisor the "Undergraduate Internship Plan". The Field Supervisor's signature is required.
  
- 2) During the last week of the internship, the Field Supervisor should mail or fax to the Academic Supervisor a completed Undergraduate Internship Evaluation Field Supervisor form (available from intern). It is suggested that the Field Supervisor discuss both documents with the intern.

Fax the completed reports to: (251) 460-7925. Mail all reports to:  
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Mobile, AL 36688

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH ALABAMA  
Undergraduate Internship in Sociology or Anthropology  
Field Supervisor Evaluation Form

To be completed by the student: Today's Date \_\_\_\_\_

Semester (Circle one): Fall Spring Summer Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Student # J- \_\_\_\_\_

Major: \_\_\_\_\_

Placement Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_

Agency Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Agency Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Field Supervisor Report:** To be completed by the above named supervisor.

Hours completed per week: \_\_\_\_\_ Total hours for semester: \_\_\_\_\_

Internship activities and duties: Please describe the nature of the student's activities and responsibilities with your agency. (Use additional pages if necessary).

Please comment on the extent to which you feel the student has fulfilled their commitment to your agency. (Use additional pages if necessary).

Overall rating of student's performance: (Circle)

Excellent Good Fair Satisfactory Poor

Additional Comments:

Signature of Field Supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_