

# GRADUATE SPECIALITY AREA – Social Inequality



DEPARTMENT OF  
**SOCIOLOGY**  
College of Arts and Sciences

## WHY STUDY SOCIAL INEQUALITY?

Social inequality focuses on the structural sources and individual consequences of racism, sexism and economic exploitation in society, as well as the social processes sustaining these inequities. Professional sociologists use a holistic approach to analyze power dynamics and systems of oppression in society, and ways that social policies can address and reduce these inequalities.

Oklahoma State University faculty interests include: health and illness, environmental inequality, occupations and organizations, crime and punishment, race/class/gender relations, and stratification.

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A LIST OF GRADUATE SEMINARS OFFERED WITHIN THE SOCIAL INEQUALITY SPECIALITY IS PROVIDED BELOW. IN ADDITION, OUR M.S. AND PH.D. STUDENTS HAVE OPPORTUNITIES TO TEACH AND WORK AS TEACHING ASSISTANTS IN MANY UNDERGRADUATE COURSES FOCUSED ON THIS BROAD AND ENCOMPASSING AREA.

- ANTH 5243: *GLOBALIZATION & CULTURE*
- SOC 5063: *SOCIAL INEQUALITY & STRATIFICATION\**
- SOC 5323: *SEMINAR ON COLLECTIVE BEHAVIOR & SOCIAL MOVEMENTS*
- SOC 5493: *SEMINAR IN ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE*
- SOC 5643: *GENDER AND SOCIETY*
- SOC 5663: *SEMINAR IN RACE AND ETHNICITY*
- SOC 6213: *THEORY OF SOCIAL STRUCTURE*
- SOC 6493: *SOCIOLOGY OF DISASTER*

\*REQUIRED COURSE