

## **SMSU College Now Instructor Qualifications for Sociology:**

### **Demonstration of relevant and advanced content-area knowledge:**

Instructors may meet the minimum requirement for advanced content-area knowledge through any one of the following three methods:

— 1. A graduate degree in Sociology or closely related field

OR

— 2. A graduate degree in any field plus 18 graduate credit hours in Sociology.

OR

— 3. A graduate degree in any field plus 9 graduate credit hours in sociology and 3 relevant options from the following list (a-h), subject to review and approval by the Sociology Program (submit a written explanation of how these experiences relate directly to the ability to teach a college level Introduction to Sociology course):

- a. Graduate-level course(s) in a field directly related to sociology (e.g. educational sociology, social psychology, psychology, or social work). This item can be counted more than once for each additional course.
- b. Relevant sociological research and/or teaching related presentations at state, regional, or national workshops or conferences, such as Sociologists of Minnesota or the Midwest Sociological Society.
- c. Published textbooks, journal articles or essays, or similar scholarly or creative work in the field of sociology or sociology education.
- d. Additional three (3) years of successful and effective teaching experience in a course leading to undergraduate credit in sociology including dual credit, International Baccalaureate, or teaching undergraduates on a college/university campus.
- e. Participation in a grant-funded project with the goal of improving education in sociology.
- f. Fellowships or awards from school, district, state, regional, national, or international organizations for recognition of high school or undergraduate teaching in sociology.
- g. Field test or review sociology curriculum for publisher or serve on sociology textbook review and selection committee for postsecondary or secondary institution.
- h. Certifications in higher education teaching (e.g. Quality Matters Certificate, AAC&U)

Please provide a short explanation of how you have achieved each of the options indicated above and how those experiences directly relate to the ability to teach a college-level Sociology course.

**Completed by:**

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[HS Instructor]	Date

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**Reviewed by:**

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[SMSU Director of Concurrent Enrollment]	Date

Additional Comments:

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[SMSU Department Chair]	Date

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