Sociology Graduate Student Organization (SocGSO)

1. SocGSO Mission Statement*

The Sociology Graduate Student Organization (SocGSO) is a graduate student organization that supports a “community” of students by fostering a feeling of cohesion among its graduate students. We seek to explore the field of sociology as an academic discipline and support the acquisition of skills that are needed in both the academic and applied realms. We also seek to make connections to other student organizations and link sociology graduate students to other scholars in the field of sociology.

2. SocGSO Objectives*

The SocGSO objectives are to:
- a. promote a sense of community among graduate students.
- b. encourage a forum for intellectual exchange.
- c. facilitate opportunities for the exchange of information, such as seeking and applying for funding; publishing; and presenting at conferences.
- d. provide sociology graduate students a forum to discuss ideas and concerns and share these with faculty.

3. Duties and Responsibilities of SocGSO Officers*

President: Facilitates activities, delegates responsibilities to the rest of the officers and club members, and presides over meetings.

Vice-President: Assists the President and fills in his/her duties if and when s/he is unavailable.

Secretary: Responsible for the logistical aspects of administering the organization. Also responsible for taking notes or minutes at each meeting and getting approval for those minutes at the start of the next meeting.

These duties and responsibilities were adapted from ASA guidelines.

*The mission statement, objectives, and duties and responsibilities of the elected offices outlined above were discussed and ratified as part of a SocGSO meeting in November 2011.