



COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES
SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

CLINICAL SOCIOLOGY HONOURS | BACHELOR OF SOCIAL SCIENCE
HOWARD COLLEGE AND PIETERMARITZBURG

CALL FOR APPLICANTS 2025



ABOUT CLINICAL SOCIOLOGY

A postgraduate degree in clinical sociology delivers theoretical foundations deep-rooted in the African continent. The emerging field of Clinical Sociology in Africa intensifies the intersections of practice and science to respond to social problems. Clinical sociologists obtain expertise to respond to social problems opening up the economy to cohorts of poor and unemployed people while interrogating racism, gender, healthcare, education, violence and crime via ethical scientific practices. Graduates obtain clinical proficiencies to execute clinical interventions and applied solutions. Upon graduating with a degree in clinical sociology, careers may be found in, but not limited to sociological research; government and private agencies; local and international non-governmental organizations; think-tanks; private sector; development; healthcare; education; marketing; and consulting.

DEGREE STRUCTURE

Fulltime students reading for a clinical sociology honours degree must fulfil all requirements within two semesters of one calendar year. Part time students must fulfill all requirements within four semesters, over two successive calendar years.

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION

The requirements for the honours degree in clinical sociology is a major in sociology combined with a major in a cognate discipline.

SEMESTER ONE CORE MODULES

SOCY702 Contemporary Social Theory (32C)

This module exposes students to selected contemporary theorists and theoretical debates. Social theory offers explanations on social world functions and the way humans experience the world. We embark on a discussion of sociological theory and the theoretical origins of sociological philosophy.

SOCY720 Clinical Sociology: Methods and Applications (32C)

This module introduces students to methodological skills, ethical practice, clinical and applied methodology and professional ethics, required for working with clients. Key areas include effective engagement, active listening, interviewing, assessment and applied models. Focus is placed on the whole person in designing a sociological model.

SOCY721 Clinical Sociology: Interventions and Perspectives (32C)

The focus on the module establishes a link between existing social problems and clinical interventions. The module aims to build the capacity to engage in clinical analysis which is the critical assessment of beliefs, policies and/or practices. Being competent with these skills, the clinical sociologist helps to reduce social problems.

SEMESTER TWO CORE MODULES

SOCY7RC Research Project: Clinical Sociology (32C)

This module requires the practical design and execution of a clinical model; the module is a supervised research project. The module will demonstrate how clinical sociologists develop multi-level models aimed at the individual, organization and community set out to. These clinical models form the basis for intervention, which include social policy and programmes; institutional renewal; expert inputs; and community involvement.

DEGREE SPECIFIC QUERIES

Professor Mariam Seedat Khan CCS
Post-graduate course structure can be found in the College of Humanities Handbook

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CLOSING DATE
01 NOVEMBER 2024

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