Sociology students are invited to submit their research (such as a course paper, article, senior project, or dissertation chapter) for award consideration. Undergraduate students are encouraged to submit papers from all course levels (1xxx—5xxx). At least one grad student and as many as three undergrad student papers will receive awards. Papers will be judged by class level as well as overall content.

1990 Kent L. Sandstrom
1991 Joanne Oreskovich
1992 Kathleen Call and Miles McNall
1993 Brian Ault
1994 Martha Easton
1995 Pamela Aronson
1996 Seongryeol Ryu
1997 Monica Kirkpatrick Johnson
1998 Peter Hennen
1999 Mayra Gomez
2000 Sara Dorow and Song Yang
2001 Brian Dill and Michael Massoglia
2002 Francisco J. Granados
2003 Jun Jin
2004 Erik Larson
2005 Danielle Docka
2006 Brian Dill
2007 Sarah Wakefield and Ana Prata Pereira
2008 Andrew Halpern-Manners
2009 Daniel Winchester
2010 Dalhia Mani
2011 Xi Zhu
2012 Hollie Nyseth Brehm
2013 Madison Van Oort
2014 Wenjie Liao (Honorable Mention - Kyle Green)
2015 Joseph Svec and Tanja Andic (shared paper)
Undergraduate Student Research Paper Award Winners

Sociology students are invited to submit their research (such as a course paper, article, senior project, or dissertation chapter) for award consideration. Undergraduate students are encouraged to submit papers from all course levels (1xxx—5xxx). At least one grad student and as many as three undergrad student papers will receive awards. Papers will be judged by class level as well as overall content.

1990  Beth Klinkner
1991  Anthony L. Efterfield, Christopher Moore, Christopher Olson and Liina Shostag
1992  Luke Gallagher and Bruce Kahn
1993  Mark Larsen
1994  Jason Minkin David Brady
1995  Jim Hawkins
1996  Kazuyo Kubo
1997  James Warren
1998  Laura Marinucci
1999  Ryan King
2000  Jessica Thurk
2001  Eric Hedberg
2002  Tristen Larson, Deborah A. Y. Sjostrom (Lower division) and Suriya Khong (Upper division)
2003  Angela Behrens
2004  Kelly Chermack and Jeffrey Allen
2005  John Burrell
2006  Mohamed Bakri
2007  Taylor Tarvestad
2008  Cory Davis and Taylor Schey
2009  Hallie Espel (1XXX level) and H. Jacob Carlson (Senior project level)
2010  Erin Osborne and Gillian Griffin
2011  Michael Blix and Betsy Priem
2012  Emily Philipp & Rob Stewart
2013  Sarah Vanausdall (1xxx) & Jennifer Weber (senior project)
2014  Derek Volk, Megan Odom, & Lauren Williams
2015  Kat Albrecht and Austin Jenkins
Undergraduate students are encouraged to nominate a sociology graduate student instructor for his or her outstanding teaching.

1990  Pete Cattrell
1991  Deming Wang & Maude Dornfeld
1992  Nancy Wisely
1993  Susan Fournier
1994  Denise Hesselton
1995  Ann Beutel
1996  Joseph William Alexander
1997  Marit Berntson
1998  Sharon Preves
1999  Erik Larson
2000  Peter Hennen
2001  Michael Massoglia
2002  Martha Easton
2003  Alyssa Goolsby
2004  Ryan King & Ana Pereira
2005  Melissa Weiner
2006  Alexandra Stein
2007  Heather Hlavka
2008  Wes Longhofer
2009  Ryan Alaniz
2010  Shawn Wick
2011  Kristin Haltinner
2012  Jesse Wozniak & Sarah Whetstone
2013  Kyle Green
2014  Kia Heise
2015  Lei (Frank) Zhang
Graduate Student TA Award Winners

Nominations for outstanding service by a sociology teaching assistant are welcome from students, faculty or instructors. One graduate and one undergraduate student will be honored with an award.

1990  N/A
1991  Denise Hesselton
1992  Marit Berntson
1993  Margaret Sandifer
1994  Joseph William Alexander and Joel Pins
1995  Vicki Lundmark
1996  Yuri Frantsuz
1997  Wendy Leo
1998  N/A
1999  Ryan King and Mark McCrory
2000  Lara Cleveland
2001  Ryan King
2002  Francisco J. Granados
2003  Deborah Smith
2004  Maureen Clark and Timothy Clark
2005  Shawn Wick
2006  Eric Dahlin
2007  Ayse Gul Kozak
2008  Xingxiang Chen and Kelly Chermack
2009  Kristin Haltinner
2010  Sarah Whetstone and Erika Busse
2011  Kyle Green
2012  Madison Van Oort
2013  Stephen Suh
2014  Anthony Jimenez
2015  Jack Delehanty and Wahutu Siguru
Undergraduate Student TA Award Winners

Nominations for outstanding service by a sociology teaching assistant are welcome from students, faculty or instructors. One graduate and one undergraduate student will be honored with an award.

1990  Carolyn Pappas
1991  N/A
1992  N/A
1993  N/A
1994  N/A
1995  Laura Fingerson
1996  N/A
1997  N/A
1998  Sara Bartlett
1999  Kathryn Flynn
2000  N/A
2001  Eric Hedberg
2002  No nominations received
2003  Kelly Chermack
2004  Lara Dreier
2005  Amy Lukes
2006  Diana Samek
2007  Jeff Holtz
2008  Jeff Hunger
2009  Suzy Maves
2010  Erin Darsow and Robert Rodby
2011  Jose Uribe
2012  Robert Stewart
2013  Derek Robey
2014  Kat Albrecht
2015  Casey Van De Laarschot
Martindale Award Winners

1990  Dungsheng Chen
1991  Sarah Phillips
1992  Deming Wang
1993  Pi-Ling Fan
1994  Kathleen Call
1995  Miles McNall
1996  Mark Hager and Ann Beutel
1997  Amy Kaler and Xiaoling Shu
1998  Pamela Aronson and Samuel Zalanga
1999  Monica Johnson and Sharon Preves
2000  Mayra Gomez
2001  Sabrina Oesterle
2002  Melissa Thompson and Song Yang
2003  Amy Blackstone and Jeremy Staff
2004  Francisco J. Granados
2005  Ryan King
2006  Jennifer Lee and Fortunata Songora
2007  Brian Dill and Sara Wakefield
2008  Xingxiang Chen
2009  Jim Woong Kang and Erika Busse
2010  Eric Tranby
2011  Elaine Hernandez and Wesley Longhofer
2012  Andrew Halpern-Manners & Heather McLaughlin
2013  Yu-Ju Chien & Shannon Golden
2014  Naomi Duke & Hollie Nyseth Brehm
2015  Kyle Green and Liying Luo
Public Sociology Award Winners

With this award we recognize the importance of public sociology—that which transcends the academy and engages wider audiences in understanding how we work and how change happens. Nominations are open to individuals, organizations or groups that are: 1) involved in community organizing, advocacy work, or social services that draw upon a distinctively sociological perspective; and/or 2) conducting research or teaching that directly informs public debates and involves broader publics.

Nomination letters should include a description of the public sociology work you wish to recognize, the capacity in which you know the nominee, the nominee’s relationship to the Department of Sociology, and contact information for yourself and the nominee. Self-nominations are very welcome. Although our students are technically eligible for the existing award, their careers may not yet be at a stage where they would be competitive with faculty and alumni.

2005  Chris Uggen
2006  Reba Carruth
2007  Eric Markusen
2008  Sara Dorow
2009  Wilder Research
2010  Phyllis Moen
2011  *Contexts* Graduate Student Editorial Board
      Ryan Alaniz          Kristin Haltinner          Jeremy Minyard
      Arturo Baiocchi     Kia Heise              Hollie Nyseth
      Erika Busse         Meghan Krausch         Timothy Ortyl
      Amelia Cotton Corl  Sarah Lageson          Sarah Shannon
      Keith A. Cunnien    Wesley Longhofer       Chika Shinohara
      Sinan Erensu        Liying Luo             Jon Smajda
      Shannon Golden      Suzy Maves McElrath      Daniel Winchester
      Kyle Green          Heather McLaughlin      Jesse Wozniak

2012  Lisa Wade & Gwen Sharp
2013  Minnesotans for a Fair Economy
2014  Second Chance Coalition & Alejandro Baer
2015  Awa Abdi
Engaged Scholarship Award Winners

This award parallels the department’s existing Public Sociology Award by honoring a graduate student who contributes to sociology while engaging wider audiences. This award is open to individuals, student groups, or organizations that: (1) conduct research or teaching that directly engages broader publics or informs public debates, and (2) brings a distinctively sociological perspective to community organizing, policy development, advocacy work, or social services.

2009  Minnesota Exits and Entries Project
2010  Heather Mclaughlin
2011  Ryan Alaniz and Hollie Nyseth
2012  Shannon Golden
2013  Scott DeMuth
2014  Rahsaan Mahadeo
2015  Robert Stewart
Faculty Mentoring Award Winners

A faculty member will be honored for past and ongoing support and commitment to sociology students. This award is determined and presented by the graduate students of the Department of Sociology.

1992  David Knoke
1993  Ron Aminzade
1994  Jeylan Mortimer
1995  Ira Reiss
1996  Jeff Broadbent
1997  Jeylan Mortimer
1998  Chris Uggen
1999  Elizabeth Boyle
2000  Doug Hartmann
2001  Robert Leik
2002  Ross Macmillan
2003  Ann Hironaka
2004  David Knoke and Robin Stryker
2005  Joachim Savelsberg
2006  Rob Warren
2007  Erin Kelly
2008  Phyllis Moen
2009  Teresa Gowan
2010  Elizabeth Boyle
2011  Chris Uggen
2012  David Pellow
2013  Joachim Savelsberg
2014  Lisa Park
2015  Erin Kelly & Phyllis Moen (for their joint efforts)
Ron Anderson Technology and Social Cohesion Fellowship Award Winners

2007  Lara Cleveland
2008  Jon Smajda
2009  none
2010  none
2011  Ryan Alaniz
2012  Sarah Lageson
2013  Evan Stewart
2014  The Society Pages Grad Board
2015  Kyle Green and Sarah Lageson
Undergraduate Sociology Research Fellowship Winners

2004  Suriya Khong
2005  none
2006  none
2007  none
2008  “not determined until May”
2009  Zachary Binsfeld (turned down because of another award) and Gillian Griffin
2010  none
2011  Robert Stewart
2012  Hui Chen & Maria Kamenska
2014  Jason Robey
2015  Lydia Quint
Department Service Contribution Award Winners

To award an individual or group for their outstanding service, nominations are sought from students, faculty and staff to honor exceptional service contributions to the Department in the last year.

1990  Staff: Karl Krohn, Undergraduate: Beth Klinkner
1991  Graduate: Daniel Martin, Undergraduate: Candyce Kroenke
1992  Graduate: Miles McNall, Undergraduate: Alex Kagan
1993  Graduate: Kathleen Call
1995  Graduate: Martha Easton
1996  Staff: Katherine Simon Frank and Karl Krohn
1997  Staff: Hilda Daniels, Undergraduate: Jennifer Swanson
1998  Graduate: Perry Seymour
1999  Staff: Mary Drew, Graduate: Sabrina Oesterle
2000  Undergraduate: Jen Salvati, Graduate: Alyssa Goolsby
2001  Undergraduate: Undergraduate Sociology Association, Graduate: Amy Blackstone & Ronda Copher
2002  Mary Drew and BethMarie Ward
2003  Hilda Mork Daniels
2004  John “Rob” Warren and Ann Miller
2005  Mary Drew
2006  Jon Smajda and Leslie Lindgren
2007  Phyllis Moen
2008  Ann Miller
2009  Chris Uggen
2010  Jeanette Husseman and Sarah Shannon
2011  Robert Fox
2012  Joshua Page
2013  Mary Drew
2014  Becky Drasin
2015  Alex Manning and Stephen Suh
Anna Welsch Bright Memorial Award Winners

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2001  Amy Blackstone, Kristin Carbone, Mayra Fomez, Switbert Kamazima and Andrew Odubote
2002  Brian Dill, Murat Ergin, Colman Titus Msoka, Ana Prata Pereira, Yakov Shchukin and Marcia Williams
2003  Francisco J. Granados, Katja Guenther and Wendy Leo Moore
2004  Timothy Clark, Ryan King, Alexandra Stein and Melissa Weiner
2005  Sarah Flood, Jennifer Lee, Fortunata Songora, Sara Wakefield and Pamela Wald
2006  Erika Busse, Heather Hlavka, Sadie Pendez, Chika Shinohara and Trina Smith
2007  Reiping Huang, Rachael Kulick and Pao Lee
2008  Jin Woong Kang and Dalhia Mani
2009  Ryan Alaniz, Andrew Johnson and Raphi Rechitsky
2010  Wesley Longhofer and Daniel Winchester
2011  Yu-Ju Chien and Ryan Moltz
2012  Kyungmin Baek, Shannon Golden, Hollie Nyseth Brehm & Sarah Whetstone
2013  Sinan Erensu, Meghan Krausch, Winjie Liao, Emily Springer
2014  Kia Heise and Scott DeMuth
2015  Kyle Green, Annie Jollymore, and Wahutu Siguru