

## **Curriculum**

The curriculum requires that students take three mandatory courses, each one of 68 hours (4 credits), and two elective courses related to their research, also of 68 hours each (4 credits); that is, 204 hours (12 credits) of mandatory courses and 136 hours (8 credits) of elective courses, totalizing 340 hours (20 credits) of courses, as well as mandatory activities.

It is important to know that students must take two elective courses related to their respective line of research, and it must be inserted in the course group foreseen in the PPGSS or offered by other graduate programs recommended by CAPES according to the needs of its respective projects, consistent with the criteria of the master's students and their advisors, and approved by the university committee.

Standard curriculum timeline for students:

**In the first semester** the student must take two mandatory courses:

Courses:

1. Capitalism and Human Diversity (mandatory)
2. Labor, Social Issues, and Social Work in Contemporary Capitalism (mandatory)

**In the second semester** the student must take one mandatory course and one elective course related to his/her respective line of research

Courses:

1. Social Research Methodology (mandatory)
2. One elective course from line 1 and one elective course from line 2.

Qualifying Seminar I shall be held at the end of the second semester. The main objective is to present and discuss the students' qualified research projects.

**In the third semester** the student must take one elective course from his/her respective line of research and be enrolled in Supervised Research I.

Courses:

2. One elective course from line 1 and one elective course from line 2.

Qualifying Seminar II shall be held at the end of the second semester. The main objective is to present and discuss the text to validate the master's dissertation.

**In the fourth semester** the student must be enrolled in Supervised Research II and

commit to the completion of his/her master's dissertation.