

Sociology (SOC)

Courses

SOC 196. Field Studies: [Topic]. 1-2 Credits.

A series of practical experiences on or off campus to understand principles or develop skills in performing selected tasks.

Repeatable 99 times

SOC 198. Workshop: [Topic]. 1-2 Credits.

An intensive experience, limited in scope and time, in which a group of students focus on skills development rather than content mastery.

Repeatable 99 times

SOC 199. Special Studies: [Topic]. 1-5 Credits.

Experimental course - topic varies.

Repeatable 99 times

SOC 204Z. Introduction to Sociology. 4 Credits.

Introduces the central concepts, theories, and methods that define the sociological approach to investigating the social forces that shape our lives. Topics may include social structure, culture, socialization, race, class, gender, sexuality, and inequality.

Equivalent to: SOC 204

Additional Information:

Social Science Area

Cultural Literacy: US: Difference, Inequality, Agency

SOC 207. Social Inequality. 4 Credits.

Overview of social inequality, cross-culturally and within the United States. Examines relationship of social inequality based on social class, race, and gender to social change, social institutions, and self-identity.

Additional Information:

Social Science Area

Cultural Literacy: US: Difference, Inequality, Agency

SOC 280. Introduction to Criminology. 4 Credits.

This course is designed to give you a broad introduction to criminology as a discipline, including measurements and definitions of crime, the myriad societal personal factors that explain crime, and criminal justice system processes and responses. We'll also consider how criminology is woven into a range of careers in research, education, government, law, and non-profit organizations.

Additional Information:

Social Science Area

Cultural Literacy: US: Difference, Inequality, Agency

SOC 301. American Society. 4 Credits.

Selected aspects of American culture and institutions and the ways in which they are changing.

Requisites: Prereq: SOC 204Z recommended.

Additional Information:

Social Science Area

Cultural Literacy: US: Difference, Inequality, Agency

SOC 304. Community, Environment, and Society. 4 Credits.

Interrelationship of social and environmental factors in human communities, processes of community change, impact of environmental change on human communities.

Additional Information:

Social Science Area

SOC 310. Social Theory. 4 Credits.

Analysis of the major writers and ideas that have shaped contemporary sociology. Focus on recurrent concepts and issues that continue to challenge sociological inquiry.

SOC 311. Research Methods. 4 Credits.

The development of social research; the nature of scientific inquiry and basic methods and techniques; examination of representative sociological studies from the standpoint of methodology.

Requisites: Prereq: SOC 204Z or SOC 207.

SOC 312. Statistical Analysis in Sociology. 4 Credits.

Construction and interpretation of tables and graphs, descriptive statistics, measures of association and contingency relationships, basic ideas of probability, and elementary statistical inference applied to nonexperimental research.

SOC 313. Social Issues and Movements. 4 Credits.

Contemporary social issues viewed in relation to the social structure of American society. Social movements and ideologies related to these issues.

Additional Information:

Social Science Area

SOC 317. Sociology of the Mass Media. 4 Credits.

Analysis of media events: advertisements, news broadcasts, documentaries, popular music, and television. Perspectives include content analysis, semiotics, functionalist and structuralist paradigms, and power system analysis.

Additional Information:

Social Science Area

SOC 328. Self and Society. 4 Credits.

How the thought, feeling, and behavior of individuals influence and are influenced by the actual, imagined, or implied presence of others.

Additional Information:

Social Science Area

SOC 330. Sociology of the Family. 4 Credits.

Introduction to and historical perspective of the family as a social institution and small-group association.

Requisites: Prereq: SOC 204Z or SOC 207.

SOC 345. Race and Ethnicity. 4 Credits.

Examines the major racial and ethnic groups in the United States with special attention to social interactions and inequalities.

Additional Information:

Social Science Area

Cultural Literacy: US: Difference, Inequality, Agency

SOC 346. Work and Occupations. 4 Credits.

Characteristics of work and occupational careers in modern societies; relationships of those to family, the economy, bureaucracy, technology, and alienation.

Additional Information:

Social Science Area

SOC 355. Sociology of Gender. 4 Credits.

Position of women in contemporary society; women and work, politics, families, the economy; intersection of gender, race, and class; women's movements.

Additional Information:

Social Science Area

Cultural Literacy: US: Difference, Inequality, Agency

SOC 370. Urban Sociology. 4 Credits.

Examines the growth of cities; urban inequalities, politics, and social movements; built environment, ecology, and sustainability of cities and identity; global cities and immigration.

SOC 380. Deviance, Social Control, and Crime. 4 Credits.

Introduces the sociological concept of deviance, its relationship to the creation and violation of rules, laws, and other forms of social order with special attention to crime and the criminal justice system.

Additional Information:

Social Science Area

SOC 385. Medical Sociology. 4 Credits.

This course is designed as an introduction to the broad field of medical sociology and the sociology of health and illness.

SOC 390. Social Epidemiology. 4 Credits.

Introduction to the field of social epidemiology emphasizing the social determinants of health and health inequalities.

Additional Information:

Social Science Area

Cultural Literacy: US: Difference, Inequality, Agency

SOC 399. Special Studies: [Topic]. 1-5 Credits.

Experimental course - topic varies.

Repeatable 99 times

SOC 401. Research: [Topic]. 1-21 Credits.

Disciplined inquiry of a topic with varying techniques and assignments suited to the nature and conditions of the problem being investigated. Often pursued in relation to a dissertation or thesis.

Repeatable 99 times

SOC 403. Thesis. 1-12 Credits.

A written document resulting from study or research and submitted as a major requirement for a degree.

Repeatable 99 times

SOC 404. Internship: [Topic]. 1-12 Credits.

Professional practice in an organization that integrates concepts studied at the university with career-related work experience.

Repeatable 99 times

SOC 405. Reading and Conference: [Topic]. 1-21 Credits.

A particular selection of material read by a student and discussed in conference with a faculty member.

Repeatable 99 times

SOC 406. Practicum: [Topic]. 1-12 Credits.

A series of clinical experiences under academic supervision designed to integrate theory and principles with practice.

Repeatable 99 times

SOC 407. Seminar: [Topic]. 1-5 Credits.

Offerings vary from year to year depending on student needs and faculty interests.

Requisites: Prereq: SOC 204Z or SOC 207.

Repeatable 99 times

SOC 408. Workshop: [Topic]. 1-21 Credits.

An intensive experience, limited in scope and time, in which a group of students focus on skills development rather than content mastery.

Repeatable 99 times

SOC 409. Terminal Project. 1-12 Credits.

A presentation incorporating the knowledge and skills acquired from course work completed for a degree.

Repeatable 99 times

SOC 410. Experimental Course: [Topic]. 1-5 Credits.

Experimental course - topic varies.

Repeatable 99 times

SOC 412. Sociological Research Methods. 4 Credits.

Descriptive and inferential statistics, including multiple regression.

SOC 413. Sociological Research Methods. 4 Credits.

Advanced statistical techniques focusing on generalized linear models.

Requisites: Prereq: SOC 412.

SOC 416. Issues in Environmental Sociology: [Topic]. 4 Credits.

Analysis of selected topics in environmental sociology. Topics include environmental movement, impacts of technological change, environmental policy and the state, environmental values, attitudes, and behaviors.

Repeatable 2 times for a maximum of 12 credits when topic changes

SOC 425. Issues in Sociology of Family: [Topic]. 4 Credits.

Analysis of selected topics in the sociology of the family. Topics include the sociology of parenthood, feminist perspectives on the family, and the family in cross-cultural perspective.

Requisites: Prereq: SOC 330.

Repeatable 2 times for a maximum of 12 credits when topic changes

SOC 442. Issues in Urban Sociology: [Topic]. 4 Credits.

Determinants and consequences of urbanization under different conditions; the city as a social and ecological system.

Repeatable 2 times for a maximum of 12 credits when topic changes

SOC 445. Sociology of Race and Ethnicity: [Topic]. 4 Credits.

Advanced analysis of selected topics in sociology of race/ethnicity. Topics vary. Examples include Asian Americans, Latinos, mixed race, racial oppression, residential segregation, and the post-civil rights era.

Requisites: Prereq: SOC 310, SOC 311.

Repeatable 2 times for a maximum of 12 credits

Additional Information:

Cultural Literacy: US: Difference, Inequality, Agency

SOC 446. Issues in Sociology of Work: [Topic]. 4 Credits.

Selected topics in sociology of work: occupational structures and careers, industrial democracy; technological change and work reform, politics of work.

Repeatable 2 times for a maximum of 12 credits when topic changes

SOC 447. Issues in Sociology of Organizations: [Topic]. 4 Credits.

Analysis of selected topics in the sociology of organizations. Topics include industrial sociology, organizational change; organizational democracy; corporate deviance; bureaucracy, power, and society.

Repeatable 2 times for a maximum of 12 credits when topic changes

SOC 451. Social Stratification. 4 Credits.

The interrelations among class, race, and sex. Historical origins and development of class and class systems including slavery.

Requisites: Prereq: SOC 310, SOC 311, SOC 312.

SOC 452. Issues of Migration: [Topic]. 4 Credits.

Sociological analysis of migration, including dynamics of race and ethnicity, social structure, and social policy. Examines assimilation, marginalization, multiculturalism, postcolonialism, and social cohesion. Offered alternate years.

Requisites: Prereq: SOC 310.

Repeatable 2 times for a maximum of 12 credits when topic changes

SOC 455. Issues in Sociology of Gender: [Topic]. 4 Credits.

Advanced analysis of gender and social relations of power in contemporary society. Variable topics include Women and Health; Violence against Women.

Repeatable 2 times for a maximum of 12 credits when topic changes

Additional Information:

Cultural Literacy: US: Difference, Inequality, Agency

SOC 456. Feminist Theory. 4 Credits.

Examines major sociological theories that elucidate the position of women and gender as part of the configuration of social relations of power in contemporary societies.

Additional Information:

Cultural Literacy: US: Difference, Inequality, Agency

SOC 457. Sex and Society. 4 Credits.

Examines alternative sociological perspectives on sexual behavior, the social construction and regulation of sexuality, contemporary social and political issues pertaining to sexuality.

Requisites: Prereq: SOC 310.

SOC 458. Issues in Cultural Sociology: [Topic]. 4 Credits.

Topics include the examination of sociological literature, research, and perspectives on a range of important themes core to cultural sociology, including production and consumption of culture, semiotics, community and networks, and popular culture.

Repeatable 2 times for a maximum of 12 credits when topic changes

SOC 459. Issues in Science, Technology & Society: [Topic]. 4 Credits.

Topics include the examination of sociological literature, research, and perspectives on a range of themes core to understanding science, technology and society, including the public understanding of science, science and social movements, and social inequalities in science.

Repeatable 2 times for a maximum of 12 credits when topic changes

SOC 465. Political Sociology. 4 Credits.

Analysis of political theory and behavior, social bases of power and policy determination, institutional interrelationships, intellectuals and ideologies, political trends and change, political participation and membership.

SOC 467. Economic Sociology. 4 Credits.

Applies the sociological perspective to basic economic phenomena such as markets, exchange, prices, money and rationality.

Requisites: Prereq: SOC 310.

SOC 475. Marxist Sociological Theory. 4 Credits.

Basic concepts, theory, and social analysis in the works of Marx and Engels. Topics include dialectical and historical materialism, class, historical development, political economy, and imperialism.

SOC 484. Issues in Deviance, Control, and Crime: [Topic]. 4 Credits.

Topics vary. Examples are modern policing, juvenile delinquency, correction, emerging forms of social control.

Repeatable 2 times for a maximum of 12 credits when topic changes

SOC 503. Thesis. 1-16 Credits.

A written document resulting from study or research and submitted as a major requirement for a degree.

Repeatable 99 times

SOC 507. Seminar: [Topic]. 1-5 Credits.

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Repeatable 99 times

SOC 508. Workshop: [Topic]. 1-21 Credits.

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Repeatable 99 times

SOC 510. Experimental Course: [Topic]. 1-5 Credits.

Experimental course - topic varies.

Repeatable 99 times

SOC 512. Sociological Research Methods. 4 Credits.

Descriptive and inferential statistics, including multiple regression.

SOC 513. Sociological Research Methods. 4 Credits.

Advanced statistical techniques focusing on generalized linear models.

Requisites: Prereq: SOC 512.

SOC 516. Issues in Environmental Sociology: [Topic]. 4 Credits.

Analysis of selected topics in environmental sociology. Topics include environmental movement, impacts of technological change, environmental policy and the state, environmental values, attitudes, and behaviors.

Repeatable 2 times for a maximum of 12 credits when topic changes

SOC 542. Issues in Urban Sociology: [Topic]. 4 Credits.

Determinants and consequences of urbanization under different conditions; the city as a social and ecological system.

Repeatable 2 times for a maximum of 12 credits when topic changes

SOC 545. Sociology of Race and Ethnicity: [Topic]. 4 Credits.

Advanced analysis of selected topics in sociology of race/ethnicity. Topics vary. Examples include Asian Americans, Latinos, mixed race, racial oppression, residential segregation, and the post-civil rights era.

Repeatable 2 times for a maximum of 12 credits

SOC 547. Issues in Sociology of Organizations: [Topic]. 4 Credits.

Analysis of selected topics in the sociology of organizations. Topics include industrial sociology, organizational change; organizational democracy; corporate deviance; bureaucracy, power, and society.

Repeatable 2 times for a maximum of 12 credits when topic changes

SOC 551. Social Stratification. 4 Credits.

The interrelations among class, race, and sex. Historical origins and development of class and class systems including slavery.

SOC 552. Issues of Migration: [Topic]. 4 Credits.

Sociological analysis of migration, including dynamics of race and ethnicity, social structure, and social policy. Examines assimilation, marginalization, multiculturalism, postcolonialism, and social cohesion. Offered alternate years.

Repeatable 2 times for a maximum of 12 credits when topic changes

SOC 555. Issues in Sociology of Gender: [Topic]. 4 Credits.

Advanced analysis of gender and social relations of power in contemporary society. Variable topics include Women and Health; Violence against Women.

Repeatable 2 times for a maximum of 12 credits when topic changes

SOC 556. Feminist Theory. 4 Credits.

Examines major sociological theories that elucidate the position of women and gender as part of the configuration of social relations of power in contemporary societies.

SOC 557. Sex and Society. 4 Credits.

Examines alternative sociological perspectives on sexual behavior, the social construction and regulation of sexuality, contemporary social and political issues pertaining to sexuality.

SOC 558. Issues in Cultural Sociology: [Topic]. 4 Credits.

Topics include the examination of sociological literature, research, and perspectives on a range of important themes core to cultural sociology, including production and consumption of culture, semiotics, community and networks, and popular culture.

Repeatable 2 times for a maximum of 12 credits when topic changes

SOC 559. Issues in Science, Technology & Society: [Topic]. 4 Credits.

Topics include the examination of sociological literature, research, and perspectives on a range of themes core to understanding science, technology and society, including the public understanding of science, science and social movements, and social inequalities in science.

Repeatable 2 times for a maximum of 12 credits when topic changes

SOC 565. Political Sociology. 4 Credits.

Analysis of political theory and behavior, social bases of power and policy determination, institutional interrelationships, intellectuals and ideologies, political trends and change, political participation and membership.

SOC 567. Economic Sociology. 4 Credits.

Applies the sociological perspective to basic economic phenomena such as markets, exchange, prices, money and rationality.

SOC 575. Marxist Sociological Theory. 4 Credits.

Basic concepts, theory, and social analysis in the works of Marx and Engels. Topics include dialectical and historical materialism, class, historical development, political economy, and imperialism.

SOC 584. Issues in Deviance, Control, and Crime: [Topic]. 4 Credits.

Topics vary. Examples are modern policing, juvenile delinquency, correction, emerging forms of social control.

Repeatable 2 times for a maximum of 12 credits when topic changes

SOC 601. Research: [Topic]. 1-16 Credits.

Disciplined inquiry of a topic with varying techniques and assignments suited to the nature and conditions of the problem being investigated. Often pursued in relation to a dissertation or thesis.

Repeatable 99 times

SOC 603. Dissertation. 1-16 Credits.

A written document resulting from study or research and submitted as a major requirement for a degree.

Repeatable 99 times

SOC 604. Internship: [Topic]. 1-6 Credits.

Professional practice in an organization that integrates concepts studied at the university with career-related work experience.

Repeatable 99 times

SOC 605. Reading and Conference: [Topic]. 1-16 Credits.

A particular selection of material read by a student and discussed in conference with a faculty member.

Repeatable 99 times

SOC 606. Field Studies: [Topic]. 1-12 Credits.

A series of practical experiences on or off campus to understand principles or develop skills in performing selected tasks.

Repeatable 99 times

SOC 607. Seminar: [Topic]. 1-5 Credits.

Proseminar required for all incoming Sociology graduate students. Professional socialization and preparation for the discipline.

Repeatable 99 times

SOC 608. Workshop: [Topic]. 1-16 Credits.

A current topic is Master's Project.

Repeatable 99 times

SOC 609. Terminal Project. 1-16 Credits.

A presentation incorporating the knowledge and skills acquired from course work completed for a degree.

Repeatable 99 times

SOC 610. Experimental Course: [Topic]. 1-5 Credits.

Experimental course - topic varies.

Repeatable 99 times

SOC 612. Overview of Sociological Methods. 5 Credits.

Examines the research process--framing research questions, qualitative and quantitative design, relationships between methods and theory, deductive and inductive investigation logic, research ethics, sampling procedures, explanatory power.

SOC 613. Advanced Sociological Methods: [Topic]. 5 Credits.

Major methodological topics such as comparative, demographic, experimental, field, historical, and survey methods. Other possible topics include time-series analysis.

Requisites: Prereq: SOC 612 or equivalent.

Repeatable 2 times for a maximum of 15 credits when topic changes

SOC 615. Advanced Sociological Theory: [Topic]. 5 Credits.

Major sociological theories such as modern functionalism, contemporary Marxism, phenomenology, postmodernism, feminist and organizational theory.

Repeatable 2 times for a maximum of 15 credits when topic changes

SOC 616. Environment and Resource Issues: [Topic]. 5 Credits.

Explores issues of environmental sociology and resource policy, including ecological crisis; environmental justice as it pertains to race, gender, class, and international inequality.

Repeatable 2 times for a maximum of 15 credits when topic changes

SOC 617. Sociological Theory I. 5 Credits.

Sociological theories of the 19th century (especially Marx, Weber, and Durkheim) and 20th century (e.g., modern functionalism, feminist, neo-Marxism, neo-Weberian, poststructuralist theories).

SOC 618. Sociological Theory II. 5 Credits.

Major themes and historical foundation of contemporary sociological theory.

Requisites: Prereq: SOC 617.

SOC 621. Teaching in the Social Sciences. 4 Credits.

Prepares graduate students to teach their own classes. Covers pedagogy and develops practical skills. Offered alternate years.

SOC 644. Race and Ethnicity Issues: [Topic]. 5 Credits.

Explores current research and theoretical debates, such as Chicano-Chicana and Latino-Latina studies, in the sociology of race and ethnicity.

Repeatable 2 times for a maximum of 15 credits when topic changes

SOC 656. Issues in Sociology of Gender: [Topic]. 5 Credits.

Examines sociological theories of gender, focusing on a particular substantive area such as health, work, family, or sexuality. Explores gender in relation to race, ethnicity, and class.

Repeatable 2 times for a maximum of 15 credits when topic changes

SOC 664. Political and Economic Sociology Issues: [Topic]. 5 Credits.

Examines the relationship between economic institutions and political processes. Sample topics include theories of modern capitalism, corporations and the state, development and underdevelopment, war and peace.

Repeatable 2 times for a maximum of 15 credits when topic changes