

SOCIOLOGY (SOC)

SOC 5040 Classical Theory

[3 credit hours]

19th Century theory in sociology with emphasis on A. Comte, K. Marx, E. Durkheim, T. Veblen, M. Weber and H. Spencer.

Term Offered: Spring, Fall

SOC 5100 Community Organizing And Development

[3 credit hours]

This course will review the major forms of community and organizing since World War II. Practical issues and theoretical issues will be stressed. Students will engage in intensive case study research applying the course concepts in addition to reading and writing on the various topics.

SOC 5110 Political Sociology

[3 credit hours]

Examination of political institutions, organizations and behavior with special attention to participation, power, ideology, decision making and conflict.

SOC 5160 Health And Gender

[3 credit hours]

An examination of gender as a predisposing factor of health status, health behavior, health care delivery, and the structure and posture of health care professionals.

Term Offered: Spring, Summer, Fall

SOC 5170 Law And Society

[3 credit hours]

Dynamics of law and legal institutions; the relationship of sociocultural changes in substantive and procedural aspects of law to the concept of justice, and to the social control of deviance.

SOC 5180 Medical Sociology

[3 credit hours]

An analysis of the sociocultural factors in health and illness, and in medical and paramedical services, and in the field of health practice as a social institution.

Term Offered: Spring, Fall

SOC 5190 Social Gerontology

[3 credit hours]

A study of the changing proportions of older people in the population, their changing roles and statuses, and the problems and processes of adjustment.

SOC 5270 Social Research Methods

[3 credit hours]

Introduction to procedures used in the various phases of sociological research.

Term Offered: Spring, Fall

SOC 5290 Social Research Statistics

[3 credit hours]

Study of major statistical procedures and techniques in sociology.

Term Offered: Spring, Fall

SOC 5340 Population And Society

[3 credit hours]

Examination of the interaction among variables of population (fertility, mortality and migration) and other aspects of societal organization.

Term Offered: Fall

SOC 5440 People, Population, and Society: Demographic Analysis

[3 credit hours]

Methods of population analysis, including examination and evaluation of data sources.

Term Offered: Spring, Summer

SOC 5450 Exploring the City

[3 credit hours]

This course takes an interdisciplinary approach to life in cities around the world, with emphasis on the ethnographic exploration of how power, cultural difference, and social inequality in cities are produced and experienced.

Term Offered: Spring, Fall

SOC 5530 Qualitative Approaches in Social Science Research

[3 credit hours]

This course examines qualitative methods used in social science research. Focusing on ethnographic and qualitative methods, the course provides students the skills necessary to design and conduct qualitative research studies.

Term Offered: Spring

SOC 5560 Fieldwork in Sociology

[6 credit hours]

This course involves the student in meaningful social research at the community level. The student is introduced to methods in fieldwork in the social sciences.

Term Offered: Spring, Summer, Fall

SOC 5580 Science, Technology, And Social Change

[3 credit hours]

The impact of rapidly changing science and technology on North American society: social change in a technological age; the emergence of post industrial society.

SOC 5610 Sociology Of Organizations

[3 credit hours]

Study of the structure and processes of organizations; includes theory of bureaucratic and non-bureaucratic organizations, as well as structure and function of organizations.

Term Offered: Spring

SOC 5650 ADVANCED TOPICS IN LATIN AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN

[3 credit hours]

An examination of social life in Latin America and the Caribbean, focusing on changing political economy, gender and ethnicity, globalization, culture and migration and in and out of the region.

Prerequisites: SOC 1010 with a minimum grade of D-

SOC 5710 Criminology

[3 credit hours]

Crime and criminal behavior: nature, types and extent of crime, societal reactions; problems in research and theory, prevention, control and treatment.

Term Offered: Summer

SOC 5720 Deviant Behavior

[3 credit hours]

Study of the analysis of the nature, meaning and process of deviant behavior in terms of social norms, control and societal reaction.

Term Offered: Summer**SOC 5740 Issues In Crime**

[3 credit hours]

Topics may include legalizing drugs, police violence, plea bargaining, death sentence and mandatory sentencing. Emphasizes liberal/conservative ideology.

SOC 5750 Legal Issues

[3 credit hours]

Topics may include abortion, three strike sentencing, homosexual rights, hate speech and decriminalizing narcotics. Emphasizes liberal/conservative ideology.

SOC 5760 Juvenile Delinquency

[3 credit hours]

Delinquency and delinquent behavior, including definitions, extent, process, types and causes; methods of prevention, protective control and treatment; institutional and non-institutional facilities and services.

SOC 5800 Development Of Subordinate Nations

[3 credit hours]

The new emerging ideological, political, social and economic patterns which repeat themselves in and determine the Third World transition from a traditional to a new society.

Term Offered: Fall**SOC 5810 Gender In Cross-Cultural Perspective**

[3 credit hours]

Analysis of gender stratification and its impact on culture in various nations and across ethnic groups in the United States.

SOC 5830 Social Movements

[3 credit hours]

This course will focus on social movements and their political context to understand the causes of social movement success and failure. Special attention will be given to the 1960s wave of protest, as well as to contemporary movement forms. Students will engage in intensive case study research applying the course concepts in addition to reading and writing on relevant topics.

Term Offered: Spring, Fall**SOC 5840 Globalization**

[3 credit hours]

This course starts by looking at the historical context of globalization, showing this process is not necessarily something new. From there it focuses on three dimensions of globalization: economic, political, and cultural - stressing the interconnectedness of these issues. This course is not an exhaustive survey of all facets of globalization, but it does at least touch upon many of the major issues related to this phenomenon.

Term Offered: Spring**SOC 5980 Special Topics In Sociology**

[3 credit hours]

Sociological examination of a developing social issue. May be repeated in different specialized topics.

Term Offered: Spring, Summer, Fall**SOC 5990 Directed Readings In Sociology**

[1-3 credit hours]

Written proposal required. May be repeated for additional credit. For majors wishing to continue course work in greater depth or seeking contact with unlisted subject areas.

Term Offered: Spring, Summer**SOC 6000 Introduction To Graduate Studies In Sociology**

[0 credit hours]

Graduate students are exposed to and get acquainted with the academic and professional nature of the field of sociology from the experience of several faculty members. Some of the topics that will be covered include writing theses, doing internships and seeking graduate work and careers.

Term Offered: Spring, Fall**SOC 6040 Advanced Sociological Theory**

[3 credit hours]

Building on classical traditions, the course includes readings and lectures on functionalist, neo-Marxist, symbolic interactionist and other significant twentieth century sociological theories.

Prerequisites: SOC 4040 with a minimum grade of D- or SOC 5040 with a minimum grade of D-

Term Offered: Fall**SOC 6050 Advanced Social Theory And Political Economy**

[3 credit hours]

This course will analyze and evaluate major social theories drawn from various 19th and 20th century intellectual and ideological traditions. The common subject focus of course readings is state, power and class relations.

Prerequisites: SOC 4040 with a minimum grade of D- or SOC 5040 with a minimum grade of D-

Term Offered: Spring**SOC 6270 Advanced Social Research Methods**

[3 credit hours]

Examination of advanced methods of data collection in sociological research.

Prerequisites: SOC 5270 with a minimum grade of D-

Term Offered: Spring, Fall**SOC 6280 Applied Social Research Methods**

[3 credit hours]

The study of applied research designs, ranging from needs assessments to evaluation research, with particular focus on collaborative, action-oriented research designs used in community, government and nonprofit settings.

Prerequisites: SOC 5270 with a minimum grade of D- or SOC 6270 with a minimum grade of D-

Term Offered: Fall**SOC 6290 Advanced Social Research Statistics**

[3 credit hours]

Examination of advanced methods of data analysis in sociological research.

Prerequisites: SOC 5290 with a minimum grade of D-

Term Offered: Spring, Fall**SOC 6640 Seminar In Diversity and Inequality**

[3 credit hours]

This course examines theories and research on diversity and inequality. Possible topics include social class, race, gender, sexual orientation and disability, plus evaluating the interconnections between these areas.

SOC 6800 Seminar In Theories In Social Psychology

[3 credit hours]

Intensive sociological study of theory building in social psychology including, among others, paradigms of social cognition and belief, social influence, and social relations.

SOC 6900 Independent Research In Sociology

[1-3 credit hours]

Student-selected research topic under the supervision of a sociology faculty member. Permission to enroll is contingent on the instructor's acceptance of the student's research proposal.

Term Offered: Spring, Summer, Fall**SOC 6930 Seminars In Sociology**

[3 credit hours]

Seminar on selected topics in the field of Sociology.

Term Offered: Spring, Fall**SOC 6940 Graduate Internship**

[0-9 credit hours]

In applied setting in areas of student interest: community organizing - health-probation - gerontology.

Prerequisites: (SOC 6040 with a minimum grade of C or SOC 6050 with a minimum grade of C) and SOC 6270 with a minimum grade of C and SOC 6290 with a minimum grade of C

Term Offered: Spring, Summer, Fall**SOC 6960 Thesis**

[1-6 credit hours]

Topic (proposal) is selected by the student and approved by a thesis committee.

Prerequisites: (SOC 6270 with a minimum grade of C and SOC 6290 with a minimum grade of C and SOC 6040 with a minimum grade of C or SOC 6050 with a minimum grade of C)

Term Offered: Spring, Summer, Fall**SOC 6970 Master of Sociology Project**

[1-6 credit hours]

Applied capstone project supervised by faculty advisor and committee that integrates the knowledge and skills in the program.

Term Offered: Spring, Summer, Fall**SOC 6990 Independent Study In Sociology**

[1-3 credit hours]

Written proposal required. May be repeated for additional credit. For majors wishing to continue course work in greater depth or seeking contact with unlisted subject areas.

Term Offered: Spring, Summer, Fall