# **SOCIOLOGY (SOCI)**

## Courses

## **SOCI 101 INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY (3)**

Sociological concepts, theories, methods; a study of society and culture; the influence of the social environment on individual behavior. Students who have successfully completed the honors version of this course (SOCI 102) will not receive additional credit for this course. Core: Social & Behavioral Sciences.

#### **SOCI 102 HONORS INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY (3)**

Sociological concepts, theories, methods; a study of society and culture; the influence of the social environment on individual behavior. Honors College course. Students who have successfully completed the non-honors version of this course will not receive additional credit for this course. Core: Social & Behavioral Sciences.

#### SOCI 210 SOCIOLOGY OF SPORT (3)

Critical examination of the role of sport in society. Course material will transcend prevalent stereotypes and myths of sport and analyze significant realities of the culture, social and corporate organization, major social processes, and relations of class, race and gender in contemporary society. Core: The United States as a Nation.

# **SOCI 212 SOCIAL STATISTICS (4)**

Data analysis techniques used in sociology and criminal justice. Descriptive statistics, graphing, measures of central tendency and variability, association, probability, sampling, hypothesis testing, regression, and statistical inference. SPSS or equivalent software package introduced as computational tool. Prerequisites: SOCI 101; MATH 100 (recommended) or MATH 102 or higher (except MATH 204); major in SOAN or minor in SOCI.

## SOCI 241 BLACKS IN AMERICA: MYTHS AND REALITY (3)

Prevailing myths regarding black society, development of such myths and the reality which contradicts them. Core: Diversity & Difference.

#### SOCI 243 SOCIOLOGY OF RACE, CLASS AND GENDER (3)

Traditional and contemporary sociological approaches to the nature and interrelationship of race, class, and gender inequalities. Core: Diversity & Difference.

## **SOCI 249 SOCIAL PROBLEMS (3)**

Theoretical and empirical understanding of the sociological approach to contemporary social problems, such as inequality, global population and development, urban problems, poverty, changes in the family, discrimination, drugs, crime and violence, and the criminal justice system.

#### **SOCI 265 STATUS, FRIENDSHIP, INTIMACY (3)**

Effects of role position and expectations on behavior in friendship groups, work teams, couples, and families. Emphasis on systems of role positions and their enactment in interaction.

## **SOCI 300 SOCIOLOGICAL ANALYSIS (3)**

Sociological perspectives, data, and techniques needed to identify and interpret social and cultural patterns. Develops computer and writing skills. Requires grade of C or better to fulfill Core requirement. Prerequisites: SOCI 101, ENGL 102 or ENGL 190 or equivalent, and SOCI 212 or ECON 205 or MATH 231 or MATH 237 or PSYC 212, or consent of instructor. Core: Advanced Writing Seminar.

## SOCI 301 THE FAMILY (3)

The family as the basic group in human societies; its development; its relation to other social institutions; the family in modern industrial societies. Prerequisite: SOCI 101.

#### **SOCI 311 INDIVIDUAL AND SOCIETY (3)**

A social psychological approach to the inter-relationships of the individual and his/her social and cultural environment; behavioral characteristics resulting from social experience. Prerequisite: SOCI 101.

## **SOCI 312 SOCIOLOGY OF GENDER (3)**

Sociological analysis of gender primarily in American society, including as it relates to socialization, social interaction, inequality in the workplace, stereotypes in everyday life, and social institutions such as education, the family, and organizations. Prerequisite: SOCI 101.

## **SOCI 313 INTRODUCTION TO SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGY (3)**

A general introduction to the inter-relationships between social organization and individual human behavior. Examination of social factors in the emergence of consciousness, self, personality, and interpersonal relations. Prerequisite: SOCI 101.

## **SOCI 323 SOCIAL MOVEMENTS (3)**

Exploration of the emergence, strategies, challenges, and outcomes of collective efforts to resist or promote social change. Emphasis on relationship between social movement organizations and major social institutions. Prerequisite: SOCI 101.

## **SOCI 324 SOCIOLOGY OF POPULAR CULTURE (3)**

Sociological analysis of the sources and meanings of popular culture; production and consumption of popular culture objects, including music, film, and television; relationship of popular culture to high culture. Prerequisite: SOCI 101.

#### **SOCI 326 RELIGION AND SOCIETY (3)**

Connections between religious expression and practice and social contexts; classic and contemporary sociological theories of religion; role of religion in global society. Prerequisite: SOCI 101.

#### **SOCI 327 URBAN SOCIOLOGY (3)**

Survey of the theoretical and sociological conceptualizations of modern western industrial cities. Prerequisite: SOCI 101.

## **SOCI 329 DEMOGRAPHY (3)**

Social, economic and political problems related to changes, distribution and movement of population; analysis of contemporary population trends in the United States and the world. Prerequisite: SOCI 101.

#### **SOCI 331 DEVIANCE AND ORGANIZATIONS (3)**

Major social patterns associated with contemporary large scale organizations, with special emphasis on deviance by and within corporations, governments and crime syndicates. Prerequisite: SOCI 101.

#### **SOCI 333 POLITICAL SOCIOLOGY (3)**

Contemporary relevance of the fundamental ideas regarding the relationship of the social and political systems; the significance of social and political democratization; class struggles and revolution; the influence of government bureaucracy. Prerequisite: SOCI 101.

#### **SOCI 335 MEDICAL SOCIOLOGY (3)**

A study of social and cultural perspectives on illness; demographic trends; the health professions; institutions for the delivery of health care services. Prerequisite: SOCI 101.

## **SOCI 336 SOCIOLOGY OF MENTAL ILLNESS (3)**

Social structure of mental illness and mental health services; mental illness as social construction; life within total institutions; mental illness as social stigma; and social policy of mental illness. Prerequisite: SOCI 101 and PSYC 101.

#### **SOCI 341 CLASS, STATUS AND POWER (3)**

An examination of major theories and significant research on socially structured inequality in modern and traditional societies. Prerequisite: SOCI 101.

## **SOCI 343 SOCIOLOGY OF RACE AND ETHNICITY (3)**

Race and ethnicity as social constructions; individual and collective racial and ethnic identities; racial and ethnic inequality; and resistance to oppression. Prerequisite: SOCI 101.

#### **SOCI 351 DEVIANT BEHAVIOR (3)**

Deviance as a process in society. Understanding conformity and deviance; identification and labeling of deviants; society's response to deviant behavior. Prerequisite: SOCI 101.

#### **SOCI 359 SOCIAL GERONTOLOGY (3)**

Examination of social factors in aging in later life and responses to aging; evaluation of research in social gerontology. Prerequisite: SOCI 101 or GERO 101.

## **SOCI 362 WORK AND OCCUPATIONS (3)**

Sociological theories and research on work and occupations; conceptions of work, occupation and profession; historical and contemporary issues in work and occupations; trends in blue and white-collar industries; the relationship between work and the self; implications of the modern distinction between work and family. Prerequisite: SOCI 101.

#### **SOCI 370 TOPICS IN SOCIOLOGY (3)**

Current topics in sociology designed for non-majors as well as majors. May be repeated for a maximum of 9 units provided a different topic is covered. Prerequisite: SOCI 101.

#### **SOCI 381 SOCIOLOGICAL THEORY (3)**

Major systems of sociological theory; the works, assumptions, and implications of major European and American schools. Prerequisites: junior standing; SOCI 101; 9 additional units of sociology.

## SOCI 383 SOCIOLOGY OF LAW (3)

Legal norms and institutions in relation to society; role of law in social processes, such as conflict and cooperation. Prerequisite: SOCI 101.

#### **SOCI 391 RESEARCH METHODS (3)**

A consideration of methodology of sociological research; the various steps in conducting research projects, from statement of the problem to final analysis of data. Prerequisites: SOCI 101; 9 additional units of SOCI; and either SOCI 212, PSYC 212, MATH 231, or ECON 205.

## **SOCI 440 SOCIOLOGY OF IMMIGRATION (3)**

Examination of sociological theories and research regarding immigration; emphasis on the contemporary context in the United States and globally. Prerequisites: SOCI 101; one 300-level SOCI course.

## **SOCI 470 SPECIAL TOPICS IN SOCIOLOGY (3)**

An examination of current topics in Sociology designed for junior and senior majors. May be repeated for a maximum of 6 units provided a different topic is covered. Prerequisites: SOCI 101 and 6 additional units of sociology.

#### **SOCI 485 SEMINAR IN SOCIOLOGY (3)**

Capstone application of ideas, methods and facts learned in previous sociology courses. Prerequisites: SOCI 101, three upper-level SOCI courses, and senior standing or permission of instructor.

## SOCI 491 INTERNSHIP IN SOCIOLOGY I (3)

Supervised experience in work setting which facilitates understanding of roles and relationships relevant to sociological inquiry and application of sociological knowledge. Students may elect to take one term for 3 units (SOCI 491) or two terms for 3 units each (SOCI 491 and SOCI 492), in one agency both terms or in a different agency each term. No more than 3 units may be earned in a term without consent of the chair, which will be granted only when agency requirements and student needs make it appropriate. Prerequisites: SOCI major; junior standing and consent of internship coordinator.

## **SOCI 492 INTERNSHIP IN SOCIOLOGY II (3)**

Supervised experience in work setting which facilitates understanding of roles and relationships relevant to sociological inquiry and application of sociological knowledge. Students may elect to take one term for 3 units (SOCI 491) or two terms for 3 units each (SOCI 491 and SOCI 492), in one agency both terms or in a different agency each term. No more than 3 units may be earned in a term without consent of the chair, which will be granted only when agency requirements and student needs make it appropriate. Prerequisites: SOCI major; junior standing and consent of internship coordinator.

## **SOCI 495 INDEPENDENT RESEARCH (1-3)**

Supervised research and sociological investigation involving library and/ or field experiences, and culminating in a written report. May be repeated for a maximum of 6 units. Prerequisites: SOCI 381 and SOCI 391 and consent of instructor.

#### SOCI 498 HONORS READINGS IN SOCIOLOGY (4)

A survey of the relevant scholarly literature under the guidance of a staff member who will direct the student's research. Prerequisite: consent of the departmental Honors coordinator.

#### **SOCI 499 HONORS THESIS IN SOCIOLOGY (4)**

Supervised research and sociological investigation involving library and/ or field experiences and culminating in a written report. Prerequisite: consent of the departmental Honors coordinator.