

SOCIOLOGY (SOCIO)

SOCIO 1100 (S7 900)

Introduction to Sociology

3 Credit Hours

An introduction to the concepts and theories necessary for a scientific understanding of our social world. Topics include sociological research, culture and socialization, social deviance, stratification and inequality (social class, race/ethnicity, and sex/gender), and social institutions (family, education, religion, and the economy). (3 lecture hours)

Prerequisite: Course requires Reading Placement Test Score-Category One.

SOCIO 1120 (S7 904D)

Sociology of Sex, Gender and Power

3 Credit Hours

Examines the difference between behavior based on biology and behavior based on what society says is appropriate in order to be masculine or feminine. Examines the question of what forces in society are most influential in determining the place of men and women with special emphasis on power. Examines how this influence works through the process of socialization and core social institutions, including marriage and family, education, religion, the economy and politics. (3 lecture hours)

Prerequisite: Course requires Reading Placement Test Score-Category One.

SOCIO 1205

Introduction to Data Science

3 Credit Hours

Students are introduced to a beginner level of the concepts related to data science including data collection, data wrangling, exploratory data analysis (EDA), data visualization, and data mining. Introduces the techniques of wrangling, EDA, visualization, and mining through the use of specialized software. (2 lecture hours, 2 lab hours)

SOCIO 1800

Special Project

1-4 Credit Hours

Social science courses integrate two or more disciplines in the social and behavioral sciences. Special project social science courses cover topics not otherwise covered by general education courses and other courses in the Catalog for the discipline. These courses require direct experience and focused reflection in an in-depth study of a specific discipline topic and/or the critical analysis of contemporary issues in the discipline. They are targeted to self-selected students with an interest in the subject matter and involve active participation. The course delivery incorporates an experiential component of no less than 30 percent but not to exceed 70 percent (to be determined by the disciplines). This experiential component may include field studies, interdisciplinary learning, and/or the practical application of discipline-related concepts, theories, principles and methods with a specific focus. All courses require an orientation session to deliver academic and experiential information (syllabus, academic requirements, field preparation, logistics, etc.)

SOCIO 1820

Selected Topics I

1-3 Credit Hours

Introductory exploration and analysis of selected sociology topics with a specific theme indicated by course title listed in college class schedule. This course may be taken four times for credit as long as different topics are selected. (1 to 3 lecture hours)

SOCIO 1840

Independent Study

1-4 Credit Hours

Exploration and analysis of topics within the discipline to meet individual student-defined course description, goals, objectives, topical outline and methods of evaluation in coordination with and approved by the instructor. This course may be taken four times for credit as long as different topics are selected. (1 to 4 lecture hours)

Prerequisite: Consent of instructor.

SOCIO 2200

Introduction to Research Methods

3 Credit Hours

Introduces students to the social science research process and methods from theoretical, applied, and ethical points of view. Acquaints students with qualitative, quantitative, and mixed methods as well as procedures used to measure human behavior, gather and analyze data, and report findings. (3 lecture hours)

Prerequisite: At least one course in the social and behavioral sciences. Course requires Reading Placement Test Score-Category One.

SOCIO 2205 (M1 902)

Statistics for the Social and Behavioral Sciences

3 Credit Hours

Students will focus on mathematical reasoning and problem solving through the application of statistical methods in the analysis of quantitative data in the social and behavioral sciences. Students will also explore frequently used statistical methods and learn the use of computer applications in the analysis of quantitative data. Credit cannot be given for both for PSYCH 2280 and SOCIO 2205. (2 lecture hours, 2 lab hours)

Prerequisite: MATH 0465 or MATH 0482 (or college equivalent) with a grade of C or better or qualifying score on the mathematics placement test or qualifying A.C.T. math score and at least one course in the social/behavioral sciences or consent of instructor.

SOCIO 2210 (S7 901)

Social Problems

3 Credit Hours

Comparatively examines the linkages among social structures, culture and human experience in the context of the globalization process. Students examine a variety of topics, which may include the unequal distribution of power and wealth, issues of sex, gender and social class, hunger, the role of multinational corporations, war and international conflict, oppression of various kinds, crime, poverty, the media, other social institutions, resource/environmental use and depletion, and population. (3 lecture hours)

Prerequisite: Course requires Reading Placement Test Score-Category One.

SOCIO 2215 (S7 903D)

Racial and Ethnic Relations

3 Credit Hours

Provides a unique perspective to help understand how groups of people from different races, ethnic groups or other cultures interact. Examines differential power between groups and analyzes the social structures that are used to maintain these power differences. Focuses on cultural diversity and various dimensions of discrimination and prejudice, including an analysis of inequality and its origins, conditions under which inequality occurs and persists, changing inequality, and ways to deal with minority group problems. (3 lecture hours)

Prerequisite: Course requires Reading Placement Test Score-Category One.

SOCIO 2220 (S7 902)***Sexual Relationships, Marriage & Family***

3 Credit Hours

A cross-societal focus on sex-roles, dating, mate selection and sexuality. Traditional and emerging marriage, family and child-rearing patterns are explored from multi-national and global perspectives. Marital dynamics, including expressiveness, marital power, conflict, family violence, divorce and the later years of marriage are featured. (3 lecture hours)

Prerequisite: Course requires Reading Placement Test Score-Category One.

SOCIO 2251***Health & Illness in Contemporary Society***

3 Credit Hours

This course examines illness as a phenomenon, which both influences and is influenced by society. As such, it can be viewed as a form of social deviance, which patients, healers and the larger society attempt to reduce. Perspectives provided by theory and research in the sociology of deviance, occupations and complex organizations are employed to gain an understanding of health and illness behavior, health practitioners and health institutions. (3 lecture hours)

Prerequisite: Course requires Reading Placement Test Score-Category One.

SOCIO 2252***Social Gerontology: Aging and Society***

3 Credit Hours

The course follows a multidisciplinary approach. It includes social, psychological and biological aspects of the aging process. This course examines the cultural, social and global views of aging. Topics include social institutions of family, healthcare, economy, politics and public policy. (3 lecture hours)

Prerequisite: Course requires Reading Placement Test Score-Category One.

SOCIO 2253***Dying, Death and Bereavement***

3 Credit Hours

Examines the social meanings of dying and death, as well as grief and bereavement processes. Topics include the funeral, ethical issues, children and dying, hospice, suicide and bereavement history in America. (3 lecture hours)

Prerequisite: Course requires Reading Placement Test Score-Category One.

SOCIO 2290***Sociology of Communication & Media***

3 Credit Hours

Analyzes the effects of a variety of media on society, social interaction and communications. Examines the structure and organization of traditional (such as printed media, television or radio) and new (such as electronic and digital) media and social networking technologies (such as MySpace, Facebook or Second Life) as well as their cultural, political, economic and social impacts. Specific topics include the role of the media in shaping or creating social issues and influencing the public, the ways in which organizations, interest groups and social movements gain access and use diverse media to shape public discourse on a global scale. (3 lecture hours)

Prerequisite: Course requires Reading Placement Test Score-Category One.

SOCIO 2800***Special Project***

1-4 Credit Hours

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They are targeted to self-selected students with an interest in the subject matter and involve active participation. The course delivery incorporates an experiential component of no less than 30 percent but not to exceed 70 percent (to be determined by the disciplines). This experiential component may include field studies, interdisciplinary learning, and/or the practical application of discipline-related concepts, theories, principles and methods with a specific focus. All courses require an orientation session to deliver academic and experiential information (syllabus, academic requirements, field preparation, logistics, etc.). This course may be taken four times for credit as long as different topics are selected.

SOCIO 2820***Advanced Selected Topics I***

3 Credit Hours

Advanced exploration and analysis of selected topics with a specific theme indicated by course title listed in college Class Schedule. (3 lecture hours)

Prerequisite: At least one course in the discipline or consent of instructor.

SOCIO 2821***Advanced Selected Topics II***

3 Credit Hours

Advanced exploration and analysis of selected topics with a specific theme indicated by course title listed in college Class Schedule. (2 lecture hours, 2 lab hours)

Prerequisite: At least one course in the discipline or consent of instructor.

SOCIO 2822***Advanced Selected Topics III***

3 Credit Hours

Advanced exploration and analysis of selected topics with a specific theme indicated by course title listed in college class schedule. (1 lecture hour, 4 lab hours)

Prerequisite: At least one course in the discipline or consent of instructor.

SOCIO 2823***Advanced Selected Topics IV***

3 Credit Hours

Advanced exploration and analysis of selected topics with a specific theme indicated by course title listed in college class schedule. (6 lab hours)

Prerequisite: At least one course in the discipline or consent of instructor.

SOCIO 2860***Internship (Career & Technical Ed)***

1-4 Credit Hours

Course requires participation in Career and Technical Education work experience with onsite supervision. Internship learning objectives are developed by student and faculty member, with approval of employer, to provide appropriate work-based learning experiences. Credit is earned by working a minimum of 75 clock hours per semester credit hour, up to a maximum of four credits. (5 to 20 lab hours)

Prerequisite: Consent of instructor and 2.0 cumulative grade point average, 12 semester credits earned in a related field of study, students work with Career Services staff to obtain approval of the internship by the dean from the academic discipline where the student is planning to earn credit.

SOCIO 2865***Internship Advanced (Career & Tech Ed)***

1-4 Credit Hours

Continuation of Internship (Career and Technical Education). Course requires participation in Career & Technical Education work experience with onsite supervision. Internship learning objectives are developed by student and faculty member, with approval of employer, to provide appropriate work-based learning experiences. Credit is earned by working a minimum of 75 clock hours per semester credit hour, up to a maximum of four credits. (5 to 20 lab hours)

Prerequisite: Consent of instructor and 2.0 cumulative grade point average, 12 semester credits earned in a related field of study, students work with Career Services staff to obtain approval of the internship by the dean from the academic discipline where the student is planning to earn credit.

SOCIO 2870***Internship (Transfer)***

1-4 Credit Hours

Course requires participation in work experience with onsite supervision. Internship learning objectives are developed by student and faculty member, with approval of employer, to provide appropriate work-based learning experiences. Credit is earned by working a minimum of 75 clock hours per semester credit hour, up to a maximum of four credits. (5 to 20 lab hours)

Prerequisite: Consent of instructor and 2.0 cumulative grade point average, 12 semester credits earned in a related field of study, students work with Career Services staff to obtain approval of the internship by the dean from the academic discipline where the student is planning to earn credit.

SOCIO 2871***Internship - Advanced (Transfer)***

1-4 Credit Hours

Continuation of Internship (Transfer). Course requires participation in work experience with onsite supervision. Internship learning objectives are developed by student and faculty member, with approval of employer, to provide appropriate work-based learning experiences. Credit is earned by working a minimum of 75 clock hours per semester credit hour, up to a maximum of four credits. (5 to 20 lab hours)

Prerequisite: Consent of instructor and 2.0 cumulative grade point average, 12 semester credits earned in a related field of study, students work with Career Services staff to obtain approval of the internship by the dean from the academic discipline where the student is planning to earn credit.