

SOCIOLOGY (SOC)

SOC 101 ~INTRO TO SOCIOLOGY	3 Credit Hours
Fundamental concepts and methods of the scientific study of human society and social behavior. Focuses on institutional foundations of group life; social roles and interpersonal relations; values and social processes in context of technological change, ethnicity, race, age, gender and socioeconomic classes. Students will gain insight into the social behavior of people in other cultures and adopt an attitude of cultural relativism. (3 lecture)	
SOC 105 INTRO TO ANTHROPOLOGY	3 Credit Hours
Physical, cultural, and archaeological anthropology; origin, development, and differentiation of man as a biological organism; human behavior in different cultures; evolution; fossils; kinship; marriage; religion; law. (3 lecture)	
SOC 107 SOCIAL PROBLEMS	3 Credit Hours
Theory and practice of problems that affect the integration and functioning of society as a whole. Both classical and contemporary social issues are addressed as to their cause, impact and meaning. (3 lecture)	
SOC 151 SOCIOLOGY OF THE WORKPLACE	3 Credit Hours
A study of occupational and organizational work settings, social meanings, types and social functions of work. Contemporary social issues are addressed as they apply to work environment. (3 lecture)	
SOC 221 MARRIAGE AND THE FAMILY	3 Credit Hours
Examines the concepts and the processes of love, dating, sexual behavior, mate selection, marriage, divorce, parenting, etc. in the context of social expectations of American culture and ongoing social change in the values, attitudes and the roles of men and women. The students will come to understand themselves and their interpersonal relationships in the context of group affiliations, such as family, school, peers, workers, socioeconomic class and the religious organization, etc. It will provide the kind of information that will make the students more aware of the factors that might be causing marriage and family problems and also various skills and techniques of coping with and resolving the problems. (3 lecture)	
SOC 223 DEATH AND DYING	3 Credit Hours
Sociological and anthropological perspectives on death and dying. Examines sociopsychological and structural factors supporting the beliefs and practices associated with the institution of death, both historically and in contemporary society. (3 lecture)	
SOC 232 CRIMINOLOGY	3 Credit Hours
Three pronged approach to crime and crime control, covering definitions and explanations of crime, typology of criminals and criminal behavior, and examination of the criminal justice system, from the police officer to the courts to imprisonment and beyond. (3 lecture)	
SOC 233 JUVENILE DELINQUENCY	3 Credit Hours
Examination of juvenile delinquency within a sociological framework. Discussion of the delinquent, laws and norms impinging on the juvenile, societal definitions and reactions, punishment and correctional approaches, and theories of delinquency and crime control. (3 lecture)	
SOC 235 RACE RELATION MINORITY GROUPS	3 Credit Hours
A study of racial and ethnic groups in the United States with special emphasis upon understanding the cause of the prejudices and the reason for antagonisms between the majority and minority groups. Area of concentration will include problems in education, demographic factors, prejudice and discrimination, conflict and change, racial identity and the social structure of racism. (3 lecture)	
SOC 293 COOPERATIVE WORK EXPERIENCE	1-8 Credit Hours
(1-8 lecture)	
SOC 297 SPECIAL TOPICS IN SOCIOLOGY	1-8 Credit Hours
(1-8 lecture)	
SOC 299 INDEPENDENT STUDY	1-6 Credit Hours
SOC 302 DEVIANT BEHAVIOR	3 Credit Hours
Course examines, within a sociological framework, deviance within society. Explanations, descriptions, and societal reactions are examined, with emphasis on mental illness and mental hospitals, suicide, drug addiction, sexual deviations, crime and delinquency. (3 lecture)	
SOC 350 INTERNATIONAL CULTURE	3 Credit Hours
Sociological study of the social behavior and structure of an international culture. The course will examine beliefs, symbols, language, values, norms, folkways, and mores of various cultures. (3 lecture)	
SOC 360 GENDER & HUMAN IDENTITY	3 Credit Hours
Explores the concepts of gender from a sociological perspective. Focus will be on perceptions of learning and living gender, roles and relationships, cultural differences of gender, and expectations and consequences of gender. (3 lecture)	
SOC 362 SOCIOLOGY OF AGING	3 Credit Hours
Social forces influencing the experience of aging and the effects of a growing elderly population in society. Topics include changing roles and status of the elderly, intergenerational relationships, retirement traditions, widowhood. (3 lecture)	
SOC 390 WORLD CULTURES THROUGH FILM	3 Credit Hours
Cultural perspectives through international films with critical thinking discussions and writing components included. (3 lecture)	

SOC 393 COOPERATIVE WORK EXPERIENCE (1-12 lecture)	1-12 Credit Hours
SOC 397 SPECIAL TOPICS (1-8 lecture)	1-8 Credit Hours
SOC 399 INDEPENDENT STUDY (1-3 lecture)	1-3 Credit Hours
SOC 405 SOCIAL INEQUALITY Systematic study of the ways individuals/groups are differentiated and ranked historically and currently within the United States. Major systems examined are gender, race, ethnicity, socioeconomic status, sexual orientation, place, age, ability, and religion. (3 lecture)	3 Credit Hours