SOCI - Sociology

SOCI 101IS. Introduction to Sociology. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) F,S,Su
Theoretical and methodological underpinnings of sociology. How theory guides investigation of social life and results in creation of factual knowledge. How sociological questions are studied and results are interpreted.

SOCI 110IS. Honors Sociological Inquiry. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) On Demand
In-depth study of the sociological enterprise: the broad range of theories and research used by sociologists to think about and examine the social world. All major areas of sociology are covered with an emphasis on institutions and systems of stratification.

SOCI 150D. Social Difference. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) On Demand
Examination of social differences by focusing on the construction and consequences of a limited set ascribed social characteristics: race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation and class. Focus on how these ascribed statuses are central to the sociological study of inequality.

SOCI 201D. Social Problems. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) On Demand
Major social problems such as human deviance, discrimination, crime, mental illness, and economic inequality. These problems will be considered primarily as consequences of cultural premises and values in American society. Competing theoretical explanations.

SOCI 202. Social Statistics. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) On Demand
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS or equivalent course; Quantitative Core; or consent of instructor. Topics covered include: Levels of measurement; measures of central tendency, dispersion and association; normal curve, statistical inference; logic of quantitative comparison and decision making utilized by social scientists; introduction to data collection techniques.

SOCI 221IS. Criminal Justice System. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) F,S
This course is an overview of the institutions that comprise our justice system. The emphasis is on criminal justice and the sources of crime but topics relevant to the broader study of the law and justice included.

SOCI 290R. Undergraduate Research. 1-6 Credits. (1-6 Ind; max unlimited)
Directed undergraduate research which may culminate in a written work or other creative project. Course will address responsible conduct of research. May be repeated.

SOCI 291. Special Topics. 1-4 Credits. (1 Lec; 12 cr max) On Demand
PREREQUISITE: None required but some may be determined necessary by each offering department. Courses not required in any curriculum for which there is a particular one-time need, or given on a trial basis to determine acceptability and demand before requesting a regular course number.

SOCI 303. Society and the Individual. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) On Demand
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS. Social behavior of the individual in the group, linguistic behavior, social perception, motivation and learning, and self-focus on symbolic interaction.

SOCI 307. Soc of Childhood & Adolescence. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) On Demand
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS. Examination of cultural and societal forces influencing development among children and adolescents from a sociological perspective.

SOCI 308. Becoming an Adult in America. 3 Credits. (3 Lec)S
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS. Examination of cultural and societal forces influencing development among children and adolescents from a sociological perspective.

SOCI 311. Criminology. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) F,S
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS. Discussion of major theories of crime and delinquency with special attention to systems of adult and juvenile deterrence.

SOCI 313. Prine of Crim Law & Procedure. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) On Demand
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS. This course introduces the student to fundamental American legal principles as developed in criminal law. In addition, the student will gain a basic understanding of key issues in the application and development of contemporary legal procedures.

SOCI 318R. Sociological Research Methods. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) F,S
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS and STAT 216Q or SOCI 202. Introduction to research methods in sociology with emphasis given to defining variables, hypothesis formation, and development of strategies used to test hypotheses. Student research project. For Sociology majors. Non-majors allowed with consent.

SOCI 320. Sociology of Religion. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) On Demand

SOCI 325. Social Stratification. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) On Demand

SOCI 326. Sociology of Gender. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) On Demand
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS. Examines the social and biological bases of gender; how gender is constructed through socialization, social interaction and institutional processes, and the social, cultural and economic consequences of gender differences for men and women.

SOCI 327. Sociology of Deviance. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) On Demand
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS. This course examines how particular attributes or behaviors are defined as deviant, the social consequences of formal and informal deviant designations, and the construction and imposition of norms, values, and rules.

SOCI 332. Sociology of the Family. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) On Demand
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS. The family as a structural and functional unit in social life and organization, as a unit of social control; its status, change, and associated problems.

SOCI 333. Sociology of Education. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) On Demand
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS. This course will focus on the relationship between education and society including the role of education in structuring socialization; racial, ethnic, gender and class stratification; human capital development; economic, political and labor market opportunities; and the political system.

SOCI 335. Juvenile Justice System. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) On Demand
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS or SOCI 221IS. An analysis of the juvenile justice system in the United States, including the historical development of policies and practices. The role of various social agencies in defining, preventing, and responding to delinquency will also be considered, primarily from a sociological perspective.

SOCI 340. Social Movements. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) On Demand
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS. Of all the means of achieving social change, movements are among the most controversial. This course looks at movements through the theories used to interpret their activities in order to improve our understanding of their dynamics.

SOCI 344. Sociology of Race & Ethnicity. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) On Demand
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS. Historical, comparative, and social psychological study of race and ethnic relations in the U.S. and elsewhere. Power, prejudice, and discrimination relating to minority status are emphasized.

SOCI 345. Sociology of Organizations. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) On Demand
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS. Rational, natural, and open systems theories of complex organizations. Introduction to organizational structure. Irrational aspects of organizations. Organizational environments and their effects on structure and activity.

SOCI 346. Rural Sociology. 3 Credits. (3 Lec)S
On Demand
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS. Demographic, economic and sociocultural change in rural communities with an emphasis on global economy, political structure, urbanization, and economic and social infrastructure. Special attention given to the rural west and Montana.

SOCI 355. Population and Society. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) On Demand

SOCI 357. Occupational/Corporate Crime. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) On Demand
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS. A sociological analysis of crimes committed by individuals within the work place and by corporations. Addressed are the extent of the problems, social costs, legal responses, and theoretical perspectives assessing the etiology of such crimes.

SOCI 358. Crime and Inequality. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) On Demand
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS. This course examines how crime and justice play out in the context of a stratified society. Students explore how social organization, inequality and conflict influence and shape the nature and distribution of crime and social control.
sociological perspective. Focus on social aspects of human desires experiences, and meanings in historical and cultural context primarily using a social construction of human sexuality perspective.

SOCI 455. Law and Society. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) On Demand
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS. Analysis of law, legal processes, and legal and quasi-legal institutions from sociological and philosophical perspectives. Some issues that are addressed include the functions of the law in modern society, the issue of the law’s power (or impotence) in the everyday, and the law’s violence.

SOCI 456. Law and Inequality. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) On Demand
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS. This course addresses the problem of social inequality by examining the contradictory ways in which the law may be used as both an instrument of social change and as a medium to formalize and solidify social inequality.

SOCI 448. Society and Sport. 3 Credits. (3 Lec)S
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS. Employs sociology as a means to understand and analyze social issues related to sports. Addresses both the positive and negative features of sport in society today, examines the current popularity of sports, the benefits they provide, and the problems they may pose. Discusses how participation in sports can teach cultural values, encourage socially appropriate behavior, and foster community spirit and looks at how particular social problems such as economic inequality, sexism, and racism.

SOCI 485. Political Sociology. 3 Credits. (3 Lec) On Demand
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS. Power. Who has it, who doesn’t, and why. Political sociology explores the omnipresence of power in society from political power in government to power relationships in our day-to-day lives. Political economy will also be examined.

SOCI 492. Independent Study. 1-3 Credits. (1-3 Ind; 3 cr max) On Demand
PREREQUISITE: Graduate standing, consent of instructor, approval of Department Head. An individualized assignment arranged with an agency, business, or other organization to provide guided experience in the field. See departmental qualification standards for internships.

SOCI 499. Senior Thesis Capstone. 3 Credits. (3 Sem) F,S
PREREQUISITE: Senior standing. SOCI 318R, and SOCI 311 or SOCI 455. Senior capstone course. The application of theory and methods in the development of an integrated framework for understanding and explaining issues of current concern. Verbal and written presentation of research paper.

SOCI 592. Independent Study. 1-3 Credits. (1-3 Ind; 3 cr max) On Demand
PREREQUISITE: As determined for each offering. Max 12 cr. Topics offered at the upper division level which are not covered in regular courses. Students participate in preparing and presenting discussion material.

SOCI 594. Seminar. 1 Credit. (1 Sem; 4 cr max) On Demand
PREREQUISITE: Graduate standing or seniors by petition; course prerequisites for other organization to provide guided experience in the field. See departmental qualification standards for internships.

SOCI 599. Senior Thesis Capstone. 3 Credits. (3 Sem) F,S
PREREQUISITE: Senior standing, SOCI 318R, and SOCI 311 or SOCI 455. Senior capstone course. The application of theory and methods in the development of an integrated framework for understanding and explaining issues of current concern. Verbal and written presentation of research paper.

SOCI 602. Internship. 2-12 Credits. (2-12 Ind; 12 cr max) On Demand
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS, and at least Junior standing, and approval of department head. An individualized assignment arranged with an agency, business, or other organization to provide guided experience in the field. See departmental qualification standards for internships.

SOCI 694. Seminar. 1 Credit. (1 Sem; 4 cr max) On Demand
PREREQUISITE: Graduate standing or seniors by petition; course prerequisites as determined for each offering. Topics offered at the graduate level which are not covered in regular courses. Students participate in preparing and presenting discussion material.
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