from a sociological perspective and societal forces influencing development among children and adolescents

PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS or SOCI 110IS. Examination of cultural and learning, and self-focus on symbolic interaction.

SOCI 307 Soc of Childhood & Adolescence: 3 Credits (3 Lec)
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS or SOCI 110IS. Examination of cultural and societal forces influencing development among children and adolescents from a sociological perspective.
SOCI 340 Social Movements: 3 Credits (3 Lec)
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS or SOCI 110IS. 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)
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS or SOCI 110IS. 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)
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS or SOCI 110IS. 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)
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS or SOCI 110IS. 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 347 Urban Sociology: 3 Credits (3 Lec)
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS. Introduces basic concepts of human ecology and focuses on basic patterns of social life in urban areas and their effect on the society and culture which can be expressed by the individual. The urban area is presented in its communal, ecological and morphological aspects including planning for the future.

SOCI 355 Population and Society: 3 Credits (3 Lec)
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS or SOCI 110IS. Distribution, growth trends, and future prospects of human population numbers in local, national, and world communities including analysis of birth, death, and migration changes. Elementary methods and theories of demographic analysis.

SOCI 357 Occupational/Corporate Crime: 3 Credits (3 Lec)
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS or SOCI 110IS. A sociological analysis of crimes committed by individuals within the workplace 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)
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS or SOCI 110IS. This course examines how crime amid 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.

SOCI 359 Crime, Justice and Media: 3 Credits (3 Lec)
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS or SOCI 110IS. Examines interrelationships between mass media, criminal justice system and crime in the US; public policy implications of media portrayals of crime, criminals, police and court system; relationship between media consumption and crime.

SOCI 362 Sociology of Law Enforcement: 3 Credits (3 Lec)
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS or SOCI 110IS or SOCI 221IS. An examination of policing in society, with emphasis on the cultural context in which it occurs, its structural characteristics, and social psychological processes.

SOCI 370 Sociology of Globalization: 3 Credits (3 Lec)
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS or SOCI 110IS. Examines the global interconnectedness of economic, political and cultural processes. Topics covered include theories and historical analysis of globalization, global culture and consumerism. The human struggles that accompany these changes including gender, family, and immigration.

SOCI 374 Sociology of Culture: 3 Credits (3 Lec)
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS or SOCI 110IS. Survey of major approaches to the sociology of culture and the use of cultural theory in sociological analysis. Focus on cultural aspects of hegemony, language, artifacts, ideas, identities, and narratives to construct social reality.

SOCI 380 Sociology of Health & Medicine: 3 Credits (3 Lec)
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS or SOCI 110IS. An in-depth exploration of differing perspectives on health, medicine, practitioners, and healthcare systems with a focus on how gender, race/ethnicity, and social class affect health care systems, policies, practice and individual experiences of health and illness.

SOCI 401 Animals and Society: 3 Credits (3 Lec)
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS or SOCI 110IS. This course explores the spaces that animals occupy in human social and cultural worlds and the interactions humans have with them. Central to this course will be an exploration of the ways in which people and animals shape each other's lives.

SOCI 414 Family Violence: 3 Credits (3 Lec)

SOCI 420 Violence in America: 3 Credits (3 Lec)
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS or SOCI 110IS or consent of instructor. This course discusses a comprehensive explanation of the nature of violent crime and its social control in America. We will explore a number of different types of violence, including homicide, rape, assault, domestic violence, child abuse, robbery, and terrorism.

SOCI 423 Sociology of Corrections: 3 Credits (3 Lec)
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS or SOCI 110IS. Examination of the nature and extent of corrections in the United States as well as the purposes, structures, and procedures of penal sanctioning and the institutional systems of correction. Emphasis on historical developments and current trends and issues in corrections.

SOCI 425 Victims and Society: 3 Credits (3 Lec)
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS or SOCI 110IS or SOCI 221IS. This course introduces students to the field of victimology, response to victimization in the United States, and crime victim typologies. Special topics include: human trafficking, school violence, child abuse, intimate partner violence, stalking, sexual assaults, hate crimes & cyber victimization.

SOCI 434 Sociology of Human Sexuality: 3 Credits (3 Lec)
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS or SOCI 110IS. Investigation of human sexuality from a 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 435 Law and Society: 3 Credits (3 Lec)
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS or SOCI 110IS. 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 436 Law and Inequality: 3 Credits (3 Lec)
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS or SOCI 110IS. 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 437  Communities & Crime: 3 Credits (3 Lec)
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS or SOCI 110IS. This course examines the ways in which crime and violence are concentrated in certain neighborhoods and communities. The course overviews relevant theoretical models, the spatial concentration of crime, and informal and formal efforts to combat crime at the neighborhood level.

SOCI 448  Society and Sport: 3 Credits (3 Lec)
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS or SOCI 110IS. 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 455  Classical Sociological Theory: 3 Credits (3 Lec)
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS or SOCI 110IS. Introduction to major sociological theories with focus on the implication for the development of empirical research. Theory as a set of tools to guide research. The explanations provided by theorists are compared and their contributions to the study of selected social phenomena are discussed. For Sociology majors. Non-majors allowed with consent.

SOCI 470  Environmental Sociology: 3 Credits (3 Lec)

SOCI 485  Political Sociology: 3 Credits (3 Lec)
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS or SOCI 110IS. 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 490R  Undergraduate Research: 1-6 Credits (1-6 Other)
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS. Directed undergraduate research which may culminate in a research paper, journal article, or undergraduate thesis. Course will address responsible conduct of research. May be repeated. Repeatable up to 12 credits.

SOCI 491  Special Topics: 1-4 Credits (1-4 Lec)
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS. 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. Repeatable up to 12 credits.

SOCI 492  Independent Study: 1-3 Credits (1-3 Other)
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS, and at least Junior standing, and approval of Department Head. Directed research and study on an individual basis. Repeatable up to 6 credits.

SOCI 494  Seminar: 1-3 Credits (1-3 Other)
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. Repeatable up to 9 credits.

SOCI 498  Internship: 2-12 Credits (2-12 Other)
PREREQUISITE: SOCI 101IS or SOCI 110IS, and at least Junior standing, and approval of department head. (F, Sp) An individualized assignment arranged with an agency, business, or other organization to provide guided experience in the field. See departmental qualification standards for internships. Repeatable up to 12 credits.

SOCI 499  Senior Thesis Capstone: 3 Credits (3 Other)
PREREQUISITE: Senior standing, SOCI 101IS or SOCI 110IS, SOCI 318R, and SOCI 311 or SOCI 455. (F, Sp, Su) 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 591  Special Topics: 1-4 Credits (1-4 Lec)

SOCI 592  Independent Study: 1-3 Credits (1 Other)
PREREQUISITE: Graduate standing, consent of instructor, approval of department head and Dean of Graduate Studies. Directed research and study on an individual basis. Repeatable up to 3 credits.

SOCI 594  Seminar: 1 Credits (1 Other)
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. Repeatable up to 4 credits.