**SOCI 1310. Introduction to Sociology.**
A survey of the basic concepts in sociology including social organization, culture, socialization, groups, and human population leading to the development of a sociological perspective of human behavior. SOCI 1310 and SOCI 3300 may not both be counted for credit.

*3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.*

Course Attribute(s): Soc & Behav Sciences Core
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
TCCN: SOCI 1301

about Introduction to Sociology

**SOCI 2320. Social Problems.**
This course examines community problems, significant social issues, and disorganization in major social institutions in contemporary American society.

*3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.*

Grade Mode: Standard Letter
TCCN: SOCI 1306

about Social Problems

**SOCI 3300. Principles of Sociology.**
Survey of the discipline of sociology, including socialization, social institutions, collective behavior, urban and community studies, demography, race relations, culture, and personality. Emphasis on basic concepts and the behavioral science approach to the study of human groups. SOCI 1310 and SOCI 3300 may not both be counted for credit.

*3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.*

Grade Mode: Standard Letter
TCCN: SOCI 1306

about Principles of Sociology

**SOCI 3307. Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences.**
The application of descriptive and inferential statistics of behavioral science data.

*3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.*

Grade Mode: Standard Letter
TCCN: SOCI 1306

about Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences

**SOCI 3317. Popular Culture and Society.**
The content of popular culture, including movies, television, genre novels, popular music, fads and fashion, sports, contemporary folklore, festivals and celebrations, clothing and body decoration, and related cultural material, is examined and analyzed for social significance.

*3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.*

Grade Mode: Standard Letter

about Popular Culture and Society

**SOCI 3318. Applied Data Analysis.**
This course introduces the student to some of the uses of various existing statistical software packages including proper application, limitations, and interpretations of results. Prerequisites: Three hours of statistics or departmental approval.

*3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.*

Grade Mode: Standard Letter

about Applied Data Analysis

**SOCI 3319. Social Psychology.**
The basic course in social psychology; the nature of the individual in society, the process of socialization; the human personality; personality and social adjustment; and social interaction.

*3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.*

Grade Mode: Standard Letter

about Social Psychology

**SOCI 3320. Population Dynamics.**
A study of the composition of the world's population, focusing on growth, problems, politics, and controls. (MC).

*3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.*

Course Attribute(s): Multicultural Content
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

about Population Dynamics

**SOCI 3321. Suicide, Society, and Human Experience.**
This course will offer a systematic approach to understanding the human encounter with suicide. Issues of theoretical concern are addressed. The course draws upon current and classic sociological research.

*3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.*

Grade Mode: Standard Letter

about Suicide, Society, and Human Experience

**SOCI 3324. Social Stratification.**
The study of inequality as it relates to occupational, educational, religious, political, and other social activities.

*3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.*

Grade Mode: Standard Letter

about Social Stratification

**SOCI 3325. Social Deviance.**
Theoretical and descriptive analysis of the major types of deviant behavior.

*3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.*

Grade Mode: Standard Letter

about Social Deviance

**SOCI 3327. Multicultural Relations.**
The nature and the problems inherent in racial and other minority groups, with special reference to the American scene. (MC/P).

*3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.*

Course Attribute(s): Multi.Content & Perspective
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

about Multicultural Relations
SOCI 3328. Complex Organizations.
The study and analysis of complex organizations, bureaucracies, and professions and their influence on individuals and society and its institutions.

about Complex Organizations

3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

SOCI 3329. Life Course Sociology.
This course examines major sociological approaches to the study of the human life course. Theoretical approaches reviewed include age stratification, the life course perspective, and constructivist and critical approaches to the life course.

about Life Course Sociology

3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

SOCI 3330. Globalization and Development.
This course covers the sociology of globalization and development. Students will learn about theories of globalization; the effects of globalization on cultural, economic and political life; and factors at different levels of analysis affecting socioeconomic development, security, human rights, and democracy around the world.

about Globalization and Development

3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

This course explores the dynamic and interactive relationships between music, culture, and society. Popular American music - from blues, gospel, ragtime, jazz, country, and swing to rock, disco, punk, alternative, and rap - will be analyzed as reflections of culture, as society's "voice," and as a powerful instrument of socialization and social change.

about The Sociology of Popular Music

3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

SOCI 3337. The Family.
A comparative study of the family in various cultures, both historical and contemporary, with attention to the family in terms of social organization, social change, and social disorganization.

about The Family

3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

SOCI 3338. Family Problems.
This course applies sociological knowledge to common problems encountered in families: spouse and child abuse, elder abuse, catastrophic illness, suicide, unemployment, poverty, teen pregnancy, aging and gender issues. Worldwide traditions and norms affecting the institution of the family are also reviewed. (MC).

about Family Problems

3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Course Attribute(s): Multicultural Content
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

SOCI 3340. Sociology of Sport and Leisure.
The theories and research in leisure and popular culture will serve as the broad framework. An emphasis will be placed on the sub-area of sport sociology, including such topics as sport and aggression, competition, children, women, minorities, professionalism, and others.

about Sociology of Sport and Leisure

3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

SOCI 3343. Criminology.
The various theories of crime, the cause of crime, areas of crime, treatment of criminals through the courts, punishment, reform, education, probation, and parole, and means of crime prevention.

about Criminology

3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

SOCI 3344. The Sociology of Law.
This course introduces students to the function of law in human societies. Theories relevant to the study of law as a mechanism of social control and social change will be discussed. Law as a social institution, the training of lawyer, and their socialization into the role of lawyer will examined.

about The Sociology of Law

3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

SOCI 3347. Juvenile Delinquency.
Delinquency in modern society, basic factors and conditions of juvenile delinquency, and the problem of delinquency control.

about Juvenile Delinquency

3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

SOCI 3348. Social Control.
An examination of the creation and maintenance of order in society, including socialization and institutions which respond to disorder. Included areas are education, religion, law, welfare, and medicine. Focus on law as both a mechanism of control and the basis for control in other institutions in industrial society.

about Social Control

3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

SOCI 3349. Drugs and Society.
A sociological examination of the social context of drug abuse with emphasis on the social factors, processes, and institutions that impact drug abuse. Applications of sociological theories and research methods will be studied.

about Drugs and Society

3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
SOCI 3350. Men, Women, and Societies.
This course examines the relations between male and female roles throughout the world, including the United States, Europe, and third world countries. Special attention is given to changes in these roles and the consequences of such changes for societies, including familial, marital, and sexual relationships. (MC).
about Men, Women, and Societies
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Course Attribute(s): Multicultural Content
about Men, Women, and Societies

SOCI 3353. Urban Society.
A study of urbanization as a social phenomenon with attention to traditional sociological studies of the community.
about Urban Society
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Urban Society

SOCI 3358. Work and Society.
This course will explore sociological studies of work and occupations, including the structure of work, economic changes, and concerns of workers such as earnings, promotions, and unemployment. It is divided into three main topics: the social organization of work, current work trends, and inequalities at work. Prerequisite: SOCI 13310.
about Work and Society
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Work and Society

An examination of the social determinants and consequences of human health, morbidity, and mortality, including considerations of health institutions, organizations, professionals, and clients. Social epidemiology of human diseases and mortality and changing relationships of acute and chronic diseases are stressed. (WI).
about Medical Sociology: The Sociology of Health and Illness Behavior
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Course Attribute(s): Writing Intensive
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Medical Sociology: The Sociology of Health and Illness Behavior

SOCI 3365. Society and Environment.
This course addresses issues emerging from the reciprocal relationship between society and its environment. The impacts of social and economic organization, social class, and government policies on the physical and social milieu will be examined in order to produce a better understanding of social and environmental interactions.
about Society and Environment
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Society and Environment

SOCI 3366. Folkways and Folklore: An Introduction.
A study of the folkways of the cultures of Texas through selected examples of traditional beliefs, customs, folktales, songs, arts, games, artifacts, and techniques for the collection and preservation of folk materials. (MC) (WI).
about Folkways and Folklore: An Introduction
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Course Attribute(s): Multicultural Content|Writing Intensive
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Folkways and Folklore: An Introduction

SOCI 3370. Industrial Sociology.
The social setting and formal organization of work; individual and group adaptation in industrial organization.
about Industrial Sociology
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Industrial Sociology

SOCI 3372. Food and Society.
This course surveys the sociological study of food. Students will examine how people in societies socially construct "food", how people obtain food and the implications of this process for our health, economy, and environment; and how food relates to issues of race-ethnicity, social class, and gender.
about Food and Society
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Food and Society

SOCI 3375H. The Sociology of Technology.
This course examines societal transformations resulting from adopting modern technologies and their logic. Technologies will include, but are not limited to, the clock, gun, and auto.
about The Sociology of Technology
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Course Attribute(s): Exclude from 3-peat Processing|Topics
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about The Sociology of Technology

SOCI 3375J. Sociology of Consumption.
Consumption is an integral part of social life in the United States, shaping how we see ourselves and others. While consumption can enhance consumers’ lives, it is linked to a host of social and environmental problems. This course critically examines such problems and explores alternatives to the way of life that is consumerism.
about Sociology of Consumption
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Course Attribute(s): Exclude from 3-peat Processing|Topics
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Sociology of Consumption
SOCI 3375K. Social Movements.
This course examines social movements, repeated display of collective action outside sanctioned political channels to bring about social change. Different theoretical approaches to social movements will be reviewed to determine how movements organize, attract members, utilize resources, ideologically frame their issues, and engage in unconventional tactics to influence public policy.

3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Course Attribute(s): Exclude from 3-peat Processing
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Social Movements

SOCI 3383. Aging and Society.
This course is an introduction to the sociology of aging and social gerontology. It employs a multicultural perspective to examine diversity in the aging process as influenced by societal forces.

3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Aging and Society

SOCI 3384. The Sociology of Death and Dying.
A study of the sociological and social psychological perspectives on death and dying in contemporary societies with particular emphasis on the meanings of death, on dying as a social process, and on death in the context of both social organization and the life cycle.

3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about The Sociology of Death and Dying

SOCI 3390. Technology and Society.
The subject of this course is the relationship between technologies and social institutions. Topics covered may include but are not limited to theories of sociotechnical change, diffusion, social constructivism, modernity and rationalism, and case studies of transformative technologies such as the clock, the car, and the birth control pill.

3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Technology and Society

SOCI 3395. Sociology of Sexuality.
Sexuality is explored from a social constructionist perspective, in contrast to essentialist and biological determinist perspectives dominating the Western understanding of sexual roles and behavior. Sexual identity, desire, behavior, response, and health are viewed as socially constructed, largely in response to concerns about societal order.

3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Sociology of Sexuality

SOCI 4306. Sociological Theory.
This course will examine classical sociological theories and the contemporary theories that follow from them. The major approaches covered are functionalism, conflict theory, symbolic interaction, and phenomenology. Prerequisites: twelve hours of Sociology or departmental approval. (WI).

3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Course Attribute(s): Writing Intensive
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Sociological Theory

SOCI 4308. Quantitative Research Methods.
Basic issues in social research are introduced, while emphasizing design and analysis of quantitative research studies. Research exercises culminate in a major research paper analyzing secondary data from The General Social Survey. Critique of published research articles is also required. Prerequisites: SOCI 3307 and SOCI 3318. (WI).

3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Course Attribute(s): Writing Intensive
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Quantitative Research Methods

SOCI 4309. Qualitative Research Methods.
This course examines issues in the sociological research process with an emphasis on qualitative methods. Students will design, propose, and submit a qualitative study based on an extensive review of the sociological literature. Prerequisites: twelve hours of Sociology, or departmental permission. (WI).

3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Course Attribute(s): Writing Intensive
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Qualitative Research Methods

SOCI 4332. The Sociology of Education.
An examination of education as a formal institution and as a social system. Emphasis is placed upon the nature and functions of education organization in modern societies.

3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about The Sociology of Education

SOCI 4360. Directed Study.
(By arrangement) A course of independent study open to superior students by permission of the professor and approval of the Chair of the department. May be repeated with different emphasis.

3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Course Attribute(s): Exclude from 3-peat Processing
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Directed Study
SOCI 4690. Internship in Applied Sociology.
This course is a supervised work experience related to students’ career interests. Requirements include seminars and a 300-hour internship for 15 weeks during long semesters or 10 weeks in the summer. This course is limited to BS majors who meet all prerequisites and can be taken for credit only once.

Course Attribute(s): Writing Intensive
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

SOCI 5105. Practicum in Teaching Sociology.
An introduction to key concepts and practices in the teaching of college course in Sociology. Provides regular in-service training and planned periodic evaluations of instructional responsibilities. Required for first-year teaching and instructional assistants in the Sociology Department. This course does not earn graduate degree credit. Repeatable with different emphasis. Graded on a credit (CR), no-credit (F) basis.

Course Attribute(s): Graduate Assistantship
Grade Mode: Leveling/Assistantships

SOCI 5110. Proseminar in Sociology.
This course will orient new graduate students to the department and the profession. Topics include presentations at professional meetings, academic writing and publishing, and putting together curriculum vitae.

Course Attribute(s): Exclude from 3-peat Processing
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

SOCI 5199B. Thesis.
This course represents a student’s continuing thesis enrollment. The student continues to enroll in this course until the thesis is submitted for binding. Graded on a credit (CR), progress (PR), no-credit (F) basis.

Course Attribute(s): Exclude from Graduate GPA
Grade Mode: Credit/No Credit

SOCI 5299B. Thesis.
This course represents a student’s continuing thesis enrollment. The student continues to enroll in this course until the thesis is submitted for binding. Graded on a credit (CR), progress (PR), no-credit (F) basis.

Course Attribute(s): Exclude from Graduate GPA
Grade Mode: Credit/No Credit

This course provides prerequisite knowledge required for success in graduate-level coursework in Sociology. Course content varies depending on academic preparation. This course does not earn graduate credit. Repeatable up to 12 hours with different emphasis. Prerequisite: Approval of graduate advisor in Sociology.

Course Attribute(s): Exclude from Graduate GPA
Grade Mode: Leveling/Assistantships

SOCI 5306. Sociological Theory Seminar.
This graduate theory course examines the role of social theory in the historical and contemporary quest for knowledge and understanding of society. The first half of the course emphasizes the European Classics. The second half of the course is devoted to contemporary theory. Emphasis throughout will be on using theory to better understand current events and everyday life experiences.

Course Attribute(s): Exclude from Graduate GPA
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

Application of advanced statistical theory and methods to the analysis of social data. Prerequisites: Sociology 3307 or equivalent with grade of “B” or better.

Course Attribute(s): Exclude from Graduate GPA
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

SOCI 5308. Seminar in Research Methods.
The application of research methods to social science with emphasis on direct, practical experience in research. Departmental approval needed for non-majors.

Course Attribute(s): Exclude from Graduate GPA
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

SOCI 5309. Seminar in Qualitative Research Methods.
This course examines qualitative methods in Sociology. Topics include examples of classical and modern qualitative research, and issues related to qualitative research. Students critique qualitative studies and conduct and defend a qualitative project. Departmental approval needed for non-majors.

Course Attribute(s): Exclude from Graduate GPA
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

SOCI 5310. Teaching Sociology.
Objectives, methods, and materials of instruction in the sociology curriculum. Relation of sociology to other disciplines.

Course Attribute(s): Exclude from Graduate GPA
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
SOCI 5316. Seminar in Deviation and Social Problems.
A systematic analysis of contemporary social problems and various
types of social deviation. Emphasis is on the socialization process as
it relates to social problems and human deviation. The sociological
explanation of underlying factors will be stressed.
about Seminar in Deviation and Social Problems
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Seminar in Deviation and Social Problems

SOCI 5318. Seminar in Advanced Data Applications.
This course will cover the application of various statistical techniques,
such as chi-square, correlation, and regression while introducing
statistical analysis to students using software such as SPSS and STATA.
This course will use epidemiological data for application purposes.
Prerequisite: SOCI 5307.
about Seminar in Advanced Data Applications
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Seminar in Advanced Data Applications

SOCI 5319. Seminar in Social Psychology.
A critical appraisal of the major theories and theorists found in Social
Psychology with emphasis on their application to contemporary social
and psychological issues.
about Seminar in Social Psychology
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Seminar in Social Psychology

SOCI 5320. Seminar in Demography.
A seminar in the study of population with emphasis on sources of
demographic data, techniques of demographic analysis, and population
composition and forecasts.
about Seminar in Demography
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Seminar in Demography

SOCI 5322. Impact Analysis Research.
This course is designed to introduce students to the assessment of
organizational impact. It addresses both the historical development
and social functions of evaluation, as well as practical application of
assessment research. Emphasis will be on appropriate research design,
implementing the design, and analysis of data.
about Impact Analysis Research
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Impact Analysis Research

SOCI 5323. Grant Writing for the Social Sciences.
This course offers an applied approach to developing grant-writing skills
for the social scientist. It will cover all aspects of proposal development
including idea generation, funding source identification, project
description, project plan, project management, evaluation methods, and
budget preparation strategies.
about Grant Writing for the Social Sciences
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Grant Writing for the Social Sciences

SOCI 5337. Seminar in the Family.
An analysis of selected topics with respect to contemporary family
structure and processes.
about Seminar in the Family
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Seminar in the Family

SOCI 5343. Seminar in Criminology.
An analysis of theories and research related to the crime problem with
particular emphasis on the United States. Emphasis will include a study
of the role of punishment, corrections, and the reform of offenders.
Special consideration will be given to influential social conditions that
play a part in crime causation and prevention.
about Seminar in Criminology
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Seminar in Criminology

SOCI 5347. Seminar in Juvenile Delinquency.
This seminar will examine juvenile delinquency from a sociological
perspective. Many topics, including an historical examination of
delinquency, theories of delinquency, the social context of delinquency,
and social policy issues involving the juvenile justice system and youth-
related social problems will be explored.
about Seminar in Juvenile Delinquency
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Seminar in Juvenile Delinquency

SOCI 5350. Seminar on the Sociology of Gender.
This course is a graduate level seminar on the study of gender in
sociology with a focus on issues of race, ethnicity, social class, and
sexuality. We will examine the major contemporary scholarly debates
about gender and explore how gender issues are embedded in different
institutions and organizations.
about Seminar on the Sociology of Gender
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Seminar on the Sociology of Gender

SOCI 5351. Introduction to Dementia Studies.
This course is an introduction to the social-scientific study of the causes
and consequences of dementia, as well as to issues related to the care of
persons with dementia.
about Introduction to Dementia Studies
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Introduction to Dementia Studies

SOCI 5352. Dementia and Caregiving.
This course for the Dementia and Aging Studies degree covers current
research on policy and support for caregivers of persons with dementia,
with an emphasis on the applied sociological focus of caregiver training
and education. The course also addresses broader public sociology
issues of caregiving and healthcare.
about Dementia and Caregiving
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Dementia and Caregiving
SOCI 5353. Seminar in the Community.
A study of contemporary urban society with emphasis on understanding the social structure as a prerequisite to planning and problem solving at the community level.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Seminar in the Community

3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.

SOCI 5354. Theoretical Perspectives in Aging and Dementia.
This course discusses theories of aging from biological, psychological, and social science perspectives. The course also demonstrates how these theories can be applied to analyzing various aging issues, particularly the social care of persons with Alzheimer's disease and other dementias.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Theoretical Perspectives in Aging and Dementia

3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.

SOCI 5355. The Social Psychology of Dementia.
This course analyzes the social construction of dementia and salient social psychological theories, concepts, and research in dementia studies. It investigates the social psychology of dementia in relation to mind, identity, stereotypes, prejudice, attributions, socialization, emotions, social interaction and the impact of institutions on the self.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about The Social Psychology of Dementia

3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.

SOCI 5356. End of Life Care.
This course focuses on issues of dying and death. Topics covered include symptom management, palliative care, hospice, pain control, life-sustaining treatment and spiritual, legal and ethical issues related to dying and death. Also covered will be different religious views on euthanasia, dying, death, and funerals.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about End of Life Care

3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.

SOCI 5357. Gender and Aging in Society.
This course is a seminar on the study of gender and aging. This seminar will examine issues of aging identities, the aging body, sexuality, health and medicine, and caregiving among older adults. This course emphasizes the aging experience in our culture as a fundamentally gendered phenomenon.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Gender and Aging in Society

3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.

This course will explore the organization, experience, and meaning of work in modern societies. Students will analyze the context and structure of different industries and occupations, how and why inequalities in the workplace occur, the balance between work and family, and the effects of globalization.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Seminar in the Sociology of Work and Occupations

3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.

SOCI 5359. Seminar in Drugs and Society.
A sociological examination of the use of legal and illegal drugs in society, with emphasis on topics such as the "war on drugs," the pharmaceutical industry, and drugs as technologies of medicalization, as well as incentives to social change.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Seminar in Drugs and Society

3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.

SOCI 5361. Aging and Dementia: Racial and Ethnic Minorities.
This course provides an analysis of how race and ethnicity affect aging and dementia, with particular emphasis on the United States. The course examines health and quality of life of racial and ethnic minorities in later life, social factors that influence these differences, and means of intervention.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Aging and Dementia: Racial and Ethnic Minorities

3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.

SOCI 5362. Rural Aging and Dementia.
This graduate course examines aging and dementia issues in rural America. Demographic trends, cultural and economic changes, and intervention strategies will be examined.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Rural Aging and Dementia

3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.

SOCI 5363. Seminar in Medical Sociology.
A seminar on selected topics of human health and health care organizations. Topics to be stressed include: social causes and consequences of morbidity and mortality, professionalization and socialization of health care practitioners, organization of health institutions, and demographic changes in health problems and needs.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Seminar in Medical Sociology

3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.

SOCI 5365. Seminar in Political Sociology.
This course applies sociological theory and research to explore the exercise of power in its social context. Particular topics may include but are not limited to civil society, power outside of government, the relationship of the state to other social institutions, and the nature of elites.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Seminar in Political Sociology

3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
SOCI 5368. Seminar in Environmental Sociology.
This course situates societies within their ecological context and vice versa. Focusing upon social and environmental interactions, including the interactions of social organization, inequality, and policy, provides a comprehensive understanding of the physical and social milieu.
about Seminar in Environmental Sociology
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Seminar in Environmental Sociology
SOCI 5370. Seminar in Multi-Cultural Relations.
Examines the dynamics of dominant subordinate social groups. Focuses on racial, ethnic, and class differences.
about Seminar in Multi-Cultural Relations
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Course Attribute(s): Multicultural Content
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Seminar in Multi-Cultural Relations
SOCI 5371. Directed Study.
Course of independent study open to individual students only at the invitation of the faculty member with the approval of the department chair and the graduate advisor. Repeatable for credit.
about Directed Study
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Directed Study
SOCI 5380. Sociological Essay.
Directed study of a specific sociological topic requiring the student to apply skills and knowledge gained in course work. For those students electing to complete a thesis the essay will constitute a thesis research proposal.
about Sociological Essay
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Grade Mode: Credit/No Credit
about Sociological Essay
SOCI 5383. Seminar on Aging.
This course provides graduate students with an opportunity to examine national and global issues involved with the aging process and population aging from a social scientific and multicultural perspective.
about Seminar on Aging
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Course Attribute(s): Exclude from 3-peat Processing
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Seminar on Aging
SOCI 5388A. Bureaucrats and Terrorists.
This course explores two contradictory trends in contemporary societies. The first is greater emphasis on bureaucratic rationality. The second is mobilizing people in terms of passions such as nationalism and spirituality. Students will explore the complex relationships between these two trends.
about Bureaucrats and Terrorists
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Course Attribute(s): Topics
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Bureaucrats and Terrorists
SOCI 5388B. Social Inequality: Race, Class, and Gender in the United States.
This course will investigate the topic of social inequality. The intersections of class, race and gender as they produce inequality will be explored, along with theoretical perspectives and empirical evidence informing the study of social inequality.
about Social Inequality: Race, Class, and Gender in the United States
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Course Attribute(s): Topics
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Social Inequality: Race, Class, and Gender in the United States
SOCI 5388D. How Society Works.
This course examines how societies are created and maintained. Emphasis is on the functional prerequisites and the common social patterns that emerge in response to meeting the functional prerequisites.
about How Society Works
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Course Attribute(s): Topics
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about How Society Works
SOCI 5388F. Seminar in Poverty.
This course is a graduate seminar on the sociological study of US poverty and social mobility. We will examine poverty measurement and trends, poverty-related social policies, theories for explaining poverty and mobility, and the intersection of poverty and social mobility with issues of gender, race, family structure, and place.
about Seminar in Poverty
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Course Attribute(s): Topics
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Seminar in Poverty
SOCI 5388G. Seminar in Food and Society.
This graduate course focuses on the sociological study of food. It examines the current food system and its interactions with macro-level social institutions, as well as individual identity and well-being.
about Seminar in Food and Society
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Course Attribute(s): Topics
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Seminar in Food and Society
SOCI 5388H. Advanced Statistical Analysis II.
The focus of this course is advanced data analysis. This course will cover topics such as regression, limited dependent variables analysis, and time series analysis. A secondary aim is to demonstrate data analyses using popular software packages. Prerequisite: SOCI 5307 with a grade of "B" or higher.
about Advanced Statistical Analysis II
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Contact Hours. 0 Lab Contact Hours.
Course Attribute(s): Exclude from 3-peat Processing
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
about Advanced Statistical Analysis II
**SOCI 5388. Clinical Sociology: Counseling the Elderly.**
This course takes a clinical sociology perspective in studying the issues of the aged and persons with dementia. The approach is humanistic and multidisciplinary, seeking to improve the quality of older persons’ lives by assessing situations and reducing problems using analysis and intervention.  

- **Course Attribute(s):** Exclude from 3-peat Processing|Topics  
- **Grade Mode:** Standard Letter  
- **Credit Hours:** 3  
- **Lecture Contact Hours:** 3  
- **Lab Contact Hours:** 0  
- **Course Description:** about Clinical Sociology: Counseling the Elderly

**SOCI 5390. Seminar in Globalization and Development.**
This seminar explores issues related to socioeconomic development and change, particularly in the “Global south.” The course will focus on factors affecting development and underdevelopment around the world.  

- **Course Attribute(s):**  
- **Grade Mode:** Standard Letter  
- **Credit Hours:** 3  
- **Lecture Contact Hours:** 3  
- **Lab Contact Hours:** 0  
- **Course Description:** about Seminar in Globalization and Development

**SOCI 5398A. Applied Research Practicum.**
Directed impact analysis project in a government agency, business, or non-profit organization requiring the student to apply skills and demonstrate knowledge gained in course work. The project topic will be determined jointly by the faculty supervisor, the student, and the research site. Departmental approval required. Graded on a credit (CR), no-credit (F) basis.  

- **Course Attribute(s):**  
- **Grade Mode:** Credit/No Credit  
- **Credit Hours:** 3  
- **Lecture Contact Hours:** 0  
- **Lab Contact Hours:** 10  
- **Course Description:** about Applied Research Practicum

**SOCI 5398B. Applied Research Practicum.**
Directed impact analysis project in a government agency, business, or non-profit organization requiring the student to apply skills and demonstrate knowledge gained in course work. The project topic will be determined jointly by the faculty supervisor, the student, and the research site. Departmental approval required. Graded on a credit (CR), no-credit (F) basis.  

- **Course Attribute(s):**  
- **Grade Mode:** Credit/No Credit  
- **Credit Hours:** 3  
- **Lecture Contact Hours:** 0  
- **Lab Contact Hours:** 10  
- **Course Description:** about Applied Research Practicum

**SOCI 5399A. Thesis.**
This course represents a student’s initial thesis enrollment. No thesis credit is awarded until the student has completed the thesis in Sociology 5399B. Graded on a credit (CR), progress (PR), no-credit (F) basis.  

- **Course Attribute(s):**  
- **Grade Mode:** Credit/No Credit  
- **Credit Hours:** 3  
- **Lecture Contact Hours:** 3  
- **Lab Contact Hours:** 0  
- **Course Description:** about Thesis

**SOCI 5399B. Thesis.**
This course represents a student’s continuing thesis enrollment. The student continues to enroll in this course until the thesis is submitted for binding. Graded on a credit (CR), progress (PR), no-credit (F) basis.  

- **Course Attribute(s):**  
- **Grade Mode:** Credit/No Credit  
- **Credit Hours:** 5  
- **Lecture Contact Hours:** 5  
- **Lab Contact Hours:** 0  
- **Course Description:** about Thesis

**SOCI 5599B. Thesis.**
This course represents a student’s continuing thesis enrollment. The student continues to enroll in this course until the thesis is submitted for binding. Graded on a credit (CR), progress (PR), no-credit (F) basis.  

- **Course Attribute(s):**  
- **Grade Mode:** Credit/No Credit  
- **Credit Hours:** 9  
- **Lecture Contact Hours:** 9  
- **Lab Contact Hours:** 0  
- **Course Description:** about Thesis

**SOCI 7368. Advanced Environmental Sociology.**
This course situates societies within their ecological context and vice versa. Focusing on social and environmental interactions, including the interactions of social organization, inequality, and policy, this course provides a more comprehensive understanding of the physical and social milieu.  

- **Course Attribute(s):**  
- **Grade Mode:** Standard Letter  
- **Credit Hours:** 3  
- **Lecture Contact Hours:** 3  
- **Lab Contact Hours:** 0  
- **Course Description:** about Advanced Environmental Sociology