



## Sociology (SOC)

### Courses

#### **SOC 110. Introduction to Sociology. 3 Credits.**

The study of human behavior in social groups, institutions, and organization, including the impact of human interactions and social problems on human behavior.

**Typically Offered:** Fall, Spring.

#### **SOC 111. Introduction to Anthropology. 3 Credits.**

Introductory overview of the major divisions in anthropology: cultural and physical anthropology, archaeology, and linguistics.

**Typically Offered:** Fall.

**Same As:** SOC 111/ANTH 111.

#### **SOC 130. Introduction to Human Services. 3 Credits.**

An introduction to the human service professions, including the various roles, functions, values, and personal attributes needed to function effectively in these careers. This course covers the history, practice setting, career opportunities, and philosophical concepts related to working with vulnerable populations.

**Typically Offered:** Spring.

#### **SOC 194. Independent Study. 1-3 Credits.**

Directed reading, study, and/or activities in selected topics.

**Typically Offered:** On sufficient demand.

**Repeatable:** Up to 12 Credits.

#### **SOC 220. The Family. 3 Credits.**

A study of the family as an important societal institution. The course takes a historical and sociological perspective, examining the impact of gender, social class, and race/ethnicity on families in the U.S.

**Typically Offered:** Spring.

#### **SOC 251. Introduction to Gerontology. 3 Credits.**

The analysis of aging within the context of the life cycle with emphasis on the major concerns of the elderly and social policies that affect the lives of the elderly.

**Typically Offered:** Fall, even years.

#### **SOC 270. Native American Studies. 3 Credits.**

A multicultural study of Native American cultural and historical development. Topics addressed include interactions with European and Anglo-American settlers and government, agency and the concept of the Middle Ground, U.S. federal Indian policy, cultural resurgence, and North Dakota Indian tribes. Cross-referenced with HIST 270.

**Typically Offered:** Fall, even years.

**Same As:** HIST 270/SOC 270.

#### **SOC 299. Special Topics. 1-4 Credits.**

Courses not offered in the regular catalog that provide an opportunity to extend student learning.

**Typically Offered:** On sufficient demand.

**Repeatable:** Up to 12 Credits.

#### **SOC 300. Race, Ethnic, and Gender Relations. 3 Credits.**

The social-historical study of racial, ethnic, and gender relations. Cross-referenced as HIST 300.

**Typically Offered:** Fall, odd years.

**Prerequisite:** SOC 110.

**Same As:** HIST 300/SOC 300.

#### **SOC 320. Case Management. 3 Credits.**

A generalist overview of the case management process, which involves assessment, implementation, coordination, monitoring, and evaluation. Students will develop helping skills and intercultural competence, as well as knowledge related to specific aspects of case management, including intake interviews, documentation, making referrals, and case review.

**Typically Offered:** Fall.

**Prerequisite:** SOC 130.

#### **SOC 330. Understanding Statistics. 3 Credits.**

This course is an introduction to descriptive, inferential, and correlated statistics. Emphasis is placed on determining when to use each type of test and how to read and discuss statistical analyses. Cross-referenced with COMM 330, POLS 330, and PSYC 330.

**Typically Offered:** Fall.

**Prerequisites:** MATH 103, 104, 107, 110, 165, or 210.

**Same As:** COMM/POLS/PSYC/SOC 330.

#### **SOC 340. Research Methods. 3 Credits.**

An exploration of social research processes and analyses. Fundamentals and specific application of the most common data gathering and measurement techniques are addressed.

**Typically Offered:** Spring.

**Prerequisites:** ENGL 110, ENGL 120 or ENGL 125, and COMM 330/POLS 330/PSYC 330/SOC 330.

**Same As:** COMM/POLS/PSYC/SOC 340.

#### **SOC 350. Social Psychology. 3 Credits.**

A study of the effects of social influence and physical environment on human behavior. Examines how people affect each other and how they are affected by social situations. Among the topics covered are social cognition, attitudes, social interaction, attraction, aggression, prejudice, conformity, and gender roles.

**Typically Offered:** Fall.

**Prerequisite:** PSYC 111.

**Same As:** PSYC 350/SOC 350.



**SOC 354. Health, Illness, and Disability. 3 Credits.**

A study of the ways in which society influences our definitions and understanding of health, illness, and disability. Topics include health care delivery, utilization, and system structure; the relationship between health professionals and patients; inequality in health care and treatment; social constructions of wellness, illness, healing, and disability; and the meaning and experience of illness and disability.

**Typically Offered:** Spring, even years.

**Prerequisite:** SOC 110.

**SOC 360. Group Dynamics. 3 Credits.**

An examination of human interaction within groups. Small group processes are practiced. Theories of interpersonal relations, team building, leadership, and conflict management are discussed. Students will observe group dynamics by interacting within small groups and by developing group presentations. Cross-referenced as COMM 360 and PSYC 360.

**Typically Offered:** Fall.

**Same As:** COMM 360/PSYC 360/SOC 360.

**SOC 390. Criminology and Delinquency. 3 Credits.**

A study of the causation, detection, prevention, and correction of criminal and delinquent behavior.

**Typically Offered:** Spring, odd years.

**Prerequisite:** SOC 110.

**Same As:** CJ 390/SOC 390.

**SOC 394. Independent Study. 1-3 Credits.**

Directed reading, study, and/or activities in selected topics.

**Typically Offered:** On sufficient demand.

**Repeatable:** Up to 12 Credits.

**SOC 399. Special Topics. 1-4 Credits.**

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**Typically Offered:** On sufficient demand.

**Repeatable:** Up to 12 Credits.

**SOC 422. Social Science Theory. 3 Credits.**

A focus on sociological and social psychological theories and conceptual frameworks. Both classic and contemporary theories and conceptual frameworks are discussed and explored. Examples of theoretical frameworks discussed include functionalism, conflict theory, symbolic interaction and feminist theories. The course should be taken in junior or senior year.

**Typically Offered:** Fall.

**Prerequisite:** SOC 110.

**SOC 441. Death and Dying. 3 Credits.**

A multidisciplinary study of historical and contemporary perspectives on death and dying. Topics include individual and societal attitudes towards death, dying, and end-of-life issues; cultural differences and customs; professions and industries associated with death and dying; bereavement and grief; ethics and end-of-life concerns; and portrayals of death and dying in popular culture.

**Typically Offered:** Spring, odd years.

**Prerequisite:** SOC 110.

**SOC 491. Capstone. 1 Credit.**

This course provides a culminating experience for students majoring in Psychology or Human Services. The course will include an applied learning activity which draws upon concepts from multiple courses in the majors.

**Typically Offered:** Fall.

**Same As:** PSYC 491/SOC 491.

**Grading:** S/U only.

**SOC 494. Undergraduate Research. 3-12 Credits.**

The course is designed to integrate subject matter from major coursework and other disciplines into a project that leads to the creation of an original body of knowledge.

**Typically Offered:** On sufficient demand.

**Repeatable:** Up to 12 Credits.

**SOC 497. Internship. 3-12 Credits.**

An opportunity for students to apply classroom learning to an on-the-job work experience. Internship must be related to the student's major or minor course of study and may be in any geographic location. Credit is granted in the range of three to twelve hours per semester and may be repeated up to a maximum of 12 credit hours. Application and approval through Career Services.

**Typically Offered:** Fall, Spring, Summer.

**Prerequisites:** Junior Standing or Senior Standing and cum GPA of 2.50 or higher.

**Grading:** S/U only.

**Repeatable:** Up to 12 Credits.

**SOC 499. Special Topics. 1-4 Credits.**

Courses not offered in the regular catalog that provide an opportunity to extend student learning.

**Typically Offered:** On sufficient demand.

**Repeatable:** Up to 12 Credits.