SOCL Sociology

SOCL 1101 Introduction to Sociology
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
The discipline of sociology and the sociological perspective as a tool for understanding society and culture, including the interpersonal, intergroup, and international dimensions of social life.
Cross Listing(s): SOCL 1101H and SOCL 1101S.

SOCL 1101H Introduction to Sociology
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
The discipline of sociology and the sociological perspective as a tool for understanding society and culture, including the interpersonal, intergroup, and international dimensions of social life.
Cross Listing(s): SOCL 1101 and SOCL 1101S.

SOCL 1101S Introduction to Sociology
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
The discipline of sociology and the sociological perspective as a tool for understanding society and culture, including the interpersonal, intergroup, and international dimensions of social life.
Cross Listing(s): SOCL 1101 and SOCL 1101S.

SOCL 2130 Introduction to Gerontology
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
This is a comprehensive introduction to the field of gerontology meant to assist students in the application of an aging perspective for any discipline or major. The course includes a focus on the social, psychological, biological, policy, and humanities perspective of the aging experience.

SOCL 2232 Introduction to Social Services
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
This course is designed to introduce students to the field of social services, including the history of the profession and its knowledge, skill and value base. Students will gain an understanding of various careers within social services and the settings in which they are practiced. They will gain an understanding of micro, mezzo, and macro type agencies.
Prerequisite(s): A minimum grade of "C" and prior or current enrollment in SOCL 1101.

SOCL 2434 Social Data Analysis
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
This course will teach students the skills to make them better consumers of data related to social issues. Students will learn to perform univariate and bivariate analyses using a data analysis program, and will learn to write and read research reports.
Prerequisite(s): A minimum grade of "C" in SOCL 1101.

SOCL 3094 Selected Topics in Sociology
1-3 Credit Hours. 1-3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
Various topics.
Cross Listing(s): SOCL 3094S.

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Cross Listing(s): SOCL 3094.

SOCL 3135 Aging
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
This course examines the impact of an aging population upon society and the effects of the socially-defined experience of aging upon the individual. Special attention is given to economic factors, retirement, lifestyle options, health, death, and widowhood.
Prerequisite(s): A minimum grade of "C" in SOCL 1101.

SOCL 3231 Practice Skills
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
An examination of the knowledge, skill and value base for working in the social services. The emphasis is on preparation for practice in social services settings.
Prerequisite(s): A minimum grade of "C" in all of the following: SOCL 1101 and prior or concurrent enrollment in SOCL 2232.

SOCL 3233 Social Change
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
This course is designed to familiarize students with current programs and policies for older adults. Familiarity with these programs and policies requires an understanding of the social policy process and the role of norms, values and beliefs in that process. The course will move from an understanding of demographic trends to an understanding of policy development for the aging community and then focus on the programs that exist to support our aging society at the local, state and federal levels.
Prerequisite(s): A minimum grade of "C" in SOCL 2130.

SOCL 3235 Race and Ethnicity
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
This course is a survey of the major concepts and theories in the study of racial and ethnic relations in the United States. The situations and experiences of various racial and ethnic groups are considered.
Prerequisite(s): A minimum grade of "C" in SOCL 1101.

SOCL 3333 Deviance
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
This course examines deviance, deviant behavior and social control. Topics will include deviance as a social process; types of deviant behavior (e.g., suicide, mental illness, drug use, crime, delinquency); theories of deviance and deviant behavior; nature and social organization of societal reactions; and social and legal policy issues.
Prerequisite(s): SOCL 1101.

SOCL 3333S Deviance
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
This course examines deviance, deviant behavior and social control. Topics will include deviance as a social process; types of deviant behavior (e.g., suicide, mental illness, drug use, crime, delinquency); theories of deviance and deviant behavior; nature and social organization of societal reactions; and social and legal policy issues.
Prerequisite(s): SOCL 1101.

SOCL 3335 Social Change
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
Discussion of theories and causes of social change in contemporary or historical perspective.
Prerequisite(s): SOCL 1101.

SOCL 3336 Social Problems
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
A general introduction to the study of social problems in areas such as deviance, social inequality, social change and American institutions.
Prerequisite(s): SOCL 1101.

SOCL 3336S Social Problems
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
A general introduction to the study of social problems in areas such as deviance, social inequality, social change and American institutions.
Prerequisite(s): SOCL 1101.

Cross Listing(s): AMST 3336 and SOCL 3336.
SOCI 3338 Sociology of the Life Course
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
The course uses sociological theories, perspectives, and conceptual frameworks to analyze aging-related social issues. It examines the social forces that shape the diverse experiences of aging for individuals throughout the life course. Emphasis is placed on structural issues such as age stratification, the life course, and societal aging as a force in social change.
Prerequisite(s): SOCI 1101.

SOCI 3339 Sociology of Sexuality
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
A sociological analysis of the norms, values, and institutions which shape human sexuality in the United States.
Prerequisite(s): A minimum grade of "C" in SOCI 1101.

SOCI 3431 Sociological Theory
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
An overview of the major classical sociological theorists, linking their contributions to contemporary issues and concerns. Covers key theorists and basic tenets of structural functionalism, conflict theory, and symbolic interactionism and introduces the process of theory construction.
Prerequisite(s): A minimum grade of "C" in SOCI 1101.

SOCI 3434 Methods of Social Research
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
A review of social research methods with emphasis on design, data collection, measurement, survey and analysis. Required of all Sociology majors.
Prerequisite(s): SOCI 1101 and STAT 2231.

SOCI 3435 Environmental Sociology
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
This course focuses on the interconnectedness of human societies and the natural environment and explores contemporary (and often controversial) environmental issues.
Prerequisite(s): A minimum grade of "C" in SOCI 1101.

SOCI 3531 Introduction to LGBT Studies
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
An introduction to the questions, topics, and theories which characterize the field of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) Studies.
Prerequisite(s): A minimum grade of "C" in SOCI 1101.

SOCI 4130 Groups and Community Action
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
This course covers mezzo and macro practice with groups, organizations, and communities in relation to both social services and applied sociological practice. Students will study the structure, organization, and function of groups, organizations and communities. The course will provide students with knowledge of stages of group development, roles group members play, and skills used by the group facilitator. In addition, students will also examine assessment and intervention with organizations and communities, including a focus on working within organizations and a focus on social change and social justice within communities.
Prerequisite(s): A minimum grade of "C" in all of the following: SOCI 1101 and prior or concurrent enrollment in SOCI 2232.

SOCI 4132 Sociology of Community
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
This course focuses on community life in the United States. Community is viewed as a social entity and an arena of social interaction. Urban, rural, and alternative communities in the U.S. are investigated to uncover their patterns of interaction and organization.
Prerequisite(s): A minimum grade of "C" in SOCI 1101.

SOCI 4133 Sociology of Religion
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
This course involves the sociological study of religion focusing on the human (especially social) aspects of religious belief and practice. Various religious groups will be examined to identify how they organize their collective religious expressions. Theories and research methods used by sociologists to study religious beliefs and practices and religious institutions will be reviewed.
Prerequisite(s): A minimum grade of "C" in SOCI 1101.

SOCI 4134 Sociology of Childhood
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
This course focuses on childhood as a social phenomenon. Childhood is viewed as a social construction, and particular attention is paid to the cultural context in which childhood has flourished, the role of children's culture in society, and social problems that are associated with childhood.
Prerequisite(s): A minimum grade of "C" in SOCI 1101.

SOCI 4135 Death and Dying
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
This course examines sociocultural dimensions of death, dying, bereavement, grief, and mourning, including cross-cultural comparisons and social patterns in historical perspective.
Prerequisite(s): A minimum grade of "C" in SOCI 1101.

SOCI 4137 Social Movements
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
This course focuses on the sociological study of social movements and extra institutional political conduct. Key theories and research methods used will be reviewed.
Prerequisite(s): A minimum grade of "C" in SOCI 1101.

SOCI 4138 Sociology of the Family
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
This course focuses on social movements and extra institutional political conduct. Key theories and research methods used will be reviewed.
Prerequisite(s): A minimum grade of "C" in SOCI 1101.

SOCI 4139 Medical Sociology
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
This course provides an overview of the field of medical sociology. Topics covered include social and cultural factors related to health and illness, health disparities, sociological models of health and illness, the sick role, chronic illness, physician patient relationship, historical and emerging health care policies, and the social organization of health care institutions, medical careers, and health care.
Prerequisite(s): A minimum grade of "C" in SOCI 1101.

SOCI 4231 Child Welfare and Family Services
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
Comprehensive study of current philosophy and practice in the various fields of child welfare, including family income maintenance programs, child protective service, adoption, foster care, institutional placement of children, home based services, family preservation, early childbearing, guardianship and custody, the family and the courts, and child advocacy.
Prerequisite(s): A minimum grade of "C" in all of the following: SOCI 1101 and prior or concurrent enrollment in SOCI 2232.

SOCI 4232 Social Welfare Policy and Services
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
An analysis of American social welfare policy. Covers programs and policies under public, voluntary, and proprietary auspices in the areas of income maintenance, mental health and substance abuse, health care, child welfare, nutrition, housing, and employment.
Prerequisite(s): A minimum grade of "C" in all of the following: SOCI 1101 and prior or concurrent enrollment in SOCI 2232.
SOCI 4332 Sociology of Gender
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
Examines the sociological approaches and theories of stratification and structured inequality, and analyzes the causes and consequences of economic, political, and social inequality.
**Prerequisite(s):** SOCI 1101.

Cross Listing(s): SOCI 4332S.

SOCI 4332S Sociology of Gender
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
Examines the sociological approaches and theories of stratification and structured inequality, and analyzes the causes and consequences of economic, political, and social inequality.
**Prerequisite(s):** SOCI 1101.

Cross Listing(s): SOCI 4332S.

SOCI 4334 Organizations, Work, and Technology
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
Examines organizations with an emphasis on the workplace. The course will explore relations within and between organizations using both classical and contemporary sociological and organizational theories. The course will examine how technology and the increasingly global economy influence these relations.
**Prerequisite(s):** SOCI 1101.

SOCI 4335 Self and Society
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
Explores the relationship between the self and society (the individual and the social milieu) using social psychological and/or symbolic interactionist perspectives. Content includes origins of the self and how it is shaped by society, formation of norms, identity management, socialization, interpersonal influence, and role behavior.
**Prerequisite(s):** SOCI 1101.

SOCI 4335H Self and Society Honors
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
Explores the relationship between the self and society (the individual and the social milieu) using social psychological and/or symbolic interactionist perspectives. Content includes origins of the self and how it is shaped by society, formation of norms, identity management, socialization, interpersonal influence, and role behavior.
**Prerequisite(s):** SOCI 1101.

SOCI 4338 Sport, Culture, and Society
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
Examines sport as a social institution, focusing on cultural values related to sport, stratification within and among sports, and issues of power and inequality pertaining to sport.
**Prerequisite(s):** SOCI 1101.

Cross Listing(s): SOCI 4338S, WGST 4338.

SOCI 4338S Sport, Culture, and Society
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
Examines sport as a social institution, focusing on cultural values related to sport, stratification within and among sports, and issues of power and inequality pertaining to sport.
**Prerequisite(s):** SOCI 1101.

Cross Listing(s): SOCI 4338S, WGST 4338.

SOCI 4431 Inequality
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
Examines the sociological approaches and theories of stratification and structured inequality, and analyzes the causes and consequences of economic, political, and social inequality.
**Prerequisite(s):** SOCI 1101.

SOCI 4431S Inequality
3 Credit Hours. 3 Lecture Hours. 0 Lab Hours.
Examines the sociological approaches and theories of stratification and structured inequality, and analyzes the causes and consequences of economic, political, and social inequality.
**Prerequisite(s):** SOCI 1101.