



Courses in the College of Letters and Sciences

SOCIOLOGY COURSES (880)

880-555 Social Psychology -- 3 cr

An examination of the process and results of human interaction with an emphasis on attitudes and attitude change, society and personality, intergroup relations and processes of socialization.

880-562 Population Dynamics -- 3 cr

A study of the development of world population and the social significance of different population sizes and growth rates; emphasis on the social determinants of fertility, mortality, and migration.

880-570 Juvenile Delinquency -- 3 cr

A study of the incidence of delinquency, theories and findings regarding causation and the policies designed for treatment and prevention.

880-572 White-Collar Crime -- 3 cr

An examination of the patterns, causes, costs, and strategies of controlling non-traditional crime committed by persons of respectability and high social status. Topics covered include: occupational crime and employee theft, the mafia and criminal syndicates, corporate crime, and governmental crime. Particular attention is given to the origin and control of criminal behavior that helps organizations achieve their operational goals. Additional requirements for 880- 525: The reading of several additional books in the area of white-collar crime as well as an extensive research paper on some aspect of the course.

880-580 Organizations And Society -- 3 cr

An examination of the growth and role of organizations in society with specific attention to American society.

880-588 (786-588) The Holocaust: Nazi Germany And The Genocide Of The Jews -- 3 cr

This course will examine the origins, implementation, and legacies of the Nazi Holocaust against the Jews. It is intended to help students gain an appreciation of the importance of the Holocaust to the Jewish experience, while understanding that other groups also were victimized. (Offered jointly with religious studies).

Prereq: 3 credits in Sociology, History, or Religious Studies.
Unreq: 786-388/588

880-610 Sociology Of Health And Illness -- 3 cr

This course examines the sociocultural aspects of health and illness, the patient-practitioner relationship, the socialization of health practitioners, the social organization of health care services, and the role of ethics in medical decision-making. It analyzes the problems and inequities in our present system of health care delivery in the United States, with particular emphasis on the sexism, racism, and classism in policy and practice. It analyzes alternative models of health care delivery, and discusses modifications in policy and practice necessary to bring about change. Graduate students will prepare a research paper in addition to the undergraduate requirements.

880-651 Social Stratification And Social Inequality -- 3 cr

An analysis of the causes, consequences, and remedies of inequalities in power, income, wealth, authority, ethnic and social status.

880-655 Sociology Of The Family -- 3 cr

An analysis of the family as a social institution with emphasis on its development, characteristics, and condition in a rapidly changing social milieu.

880-659 Patterns Of Minority Group Relations -- 3 cr

An examination of the circumstances under which widely diversified segments of the population may constitute a minority, and hence be subject to differential and unequal treatment in a society. Particular consideration is given to the theories of discrimination, segregation and prejudice, the various forms which each may take, and the relations among them providing the structure of minority-dominant group relations.

880-665 Extraordinary Groups: The Sociology Of Intentional Communities -- 3 cr

This course is a sociological analysis of a selection of unique groups in our society that illustrates its tremendous range of subcultural diversity. The groups studied are chosen for three reasons: they illustrate major sociological principles in concrete form, they are diverse, and they are interesting.

880-675 Contemporary Sociological Theory -- 3 cr

An advanced approach to the study of contemporary sociological theory, giving emphasis to the major assumptions, concepts, propositions and methodology of the main perspective.

880-676 Methods Of Social Research -- 3 cr

To acquaint the student with research methods in sociology and social science; the foundation of sociology in science, the role of theory in research, construction of research design, sampling, data gathering techniques and analysis and interpretation of data.

880-690 Workshop -- 1-6 cr

880-694 Seminar -- 3 cr

880-696 Special Studies -- 1-3 cr

880-711 American Social Institutions -- 3 cr

An analysis of the role, structure, and functions of American social institutions as frameworks for human interaction. Emphasis will be given to the relationship between institutional arrangements, class structure and individual action. Not to be enrolled in by students who have majored in sociology.

880-790 Workshop -- 1-6 cr

880-794 Seminar -- 1-3 cr

880-798 Individual Studies -- 1-3 cr