

SOC - SOCIOLOGY

SOC 101

Introduction to Sociology

3 credit hours (lecture: 3 | lab: 0)

Course introduces sociological perspective used to study contemporary society, with focus on United States. Content includes culture, socialization, social interaction, groups and networks, deviance and social control, inequality in society, social institutions such as family or education, and processes of social change.

IAI General Education: S7 900

Delivery mode: Face-to-Face | Hybrid | Online

SOC 103

Social Problems

3 credit hours (lecture: 3 | lab: 0)

Course investigates social conditions that contribute to contemporary U.S. and global social problems. Content includes globalization; poverty; discrimination based on race, ethnicity, gender, age and sexual orientation; crime and criminal justice system; substance abuse; population growth, environmental problems and sustainability; and war and terrorism.

IAI General Education: S7 901

Delivery mode: Face-to-Face | Hybrid | Online

SOC 104

Sociology of Marriage and Family

3 credit hours (lecture: 3 | lab: 0)

Course explores fundamental sociological concepts, theoretical approaches, and history of the family, patterns and shifts in marriage and partner selection trends, as well as changes in family structures in modern societies. Content includes many diversity issues of family including marriage, partnering, parenting, grandparenting, childhood, divorce, domestic violence, gender roles and social policy. Considers examples across cultures and investigates how individuals' family lives are shaped by broader social systems, especially issues of privilege, inequality and social justice.

Recommended: SOC 101 or SOC 103.

IAI General Education: S7 902

Delivery mode: Face-to-Face | Online

SOC 210

Death and Dying

3 credit hours (lecture: 3 | lab: 0)

Course explores the social and cultural aspects of death, dying and bereavement. Using key theoretical perspectives, historical and cross cultural comparisons, and major studies in the field of human mortality, it explores rituals, social taboos, and other cultural practices relating to the social organization of death and dying. Content also includes how death and dying relates to such topics as crime, social control, stratification, global inequality, gender inequality, ethnicity and race, aging, media, political power, and work/economic life.

Delivery mode: Face-to-Face | Online

SOC 220

Deviant Behavior

3 credit hours (lecture: 3 | lab: 0)

Course uses a variety of sociological perspectives to study behaviors commonly labeled deviant because they fall outside societal norms. Course examines the identification as deviant of individuals and of particular segments of society, by formal and informal means; the effects of institutionalization and social control upon the deviant; and the efforts of deviants to eradicate the label society has placed upon them. Content includes process of defining deviance; different forms of deviance such as criminal deviance to mental illness; social causes of deviance; social responses to deviance from stigmatization; systems of social control; reintegration of deviants into society.

Recommended: SOC 101 or SOC 103.

Delivery mode: Face-to-Face | Online

SOC 230

Sociology of Sex and Gender

3 credit hours (lecture: 3 | lab: 0)

Course introduces sociological perspectives on sex and gender as a factor in social stratification, gender role construction and acquisition, and the consequences of changing social definitions of gender roles across time and place. Content includes analyses of cross-cultural gender construction; gender socialization and inequality in education, the family, the workplace, and the mass media; and the impact of gender systems on life chances and outcomes, including intimacies and violence.

Recommended: SOC 101 or SOC 104.

IAI General Education: S7 904D

Delivery mode: Face-to-Face | Online

SOC 232

Sociology of Race and Ethnicity

3 credit hours (lecture: 3 | lab: 0)

Course examines history and contemporary landscape of race and ethnicity in American society. Content includes an historical context of race, the evolution of racial ideologies, racial inequality and institutions (education, employment, healthcare, criminal justice system, housing, and the environment), resisting racial injustice, and a comparative look at global ideas of race and racism.

Recommended: SOC 101, SOC 103 or SSC 101.

IAI General Education: S7 903D

Delivery mode: Face-to-Face | Online

SOC 233

Sociology of Aging and the Life Course

3 credit hours (lecture: 3 | lab: 0)

Course examines aging within multicultural society. Content includes effects of race, class, sex, physical and cognitive ability on aging among diverse populations in America; cultural expectations about and difficulties of aging; and impact of diversity on public policy decisions and implementation.

Delivery mode: Face-to-Face

SOC 234

Sociology of Violence

3 credit hours (lecture: 3 | lab: 0)

Course examines nature and causes of violence in context of contemporary American society. Content includes historical trends in violent behavior, social factors contributing to violence; types of violent behavior (interpersonal, collective, and organizational); strategies to prevent the expression of violence, and system of social control.

Recommended: SOC 101 or SOC 103.

Delivery mode: Face-to-Face | Online

SOC 290**Topics In Sociology****1-4 credit hours (lecture: 1-4 | lab: 1-4)**

Course explores major issues relating to field of sociology. Topics selected from subspecialties: socialization, social organization, deviance, stratification, race and ethnicity, gender, social institutions, collective behavior, urbanization, and social change. Focus and/or scope differ from other sociology courses currently offered. Can be repeated on different topics up to three times for up to nine credits. Fee Varies. Prerequisite may vary by topic.

Delivery mode: Face-to-Face | Online