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Sociology is the study of human behavior in society focusing on the study of systems, and how individuals live, work, and interact within them.

SOC 300 Introductory Sociology 3 Units

Advisory: ENGWR 102 or 103, and ENGRD 116 with a grade of "C" or better; OR ESLR 320 and ESLW 320 with a grade of "C" or better; OR placement through assessment process.

General Education: AA/AS Area V(b); CSU Area D0; IGETC Area 4J
Course Transferable to UC/CSU

Hours: 54 hours LEC

This course examines principles and basic concepts in sociology. It includes the study of institutions, culture, social organization, group interaction, social stratification, economy, politics, social movements, and urbanization.

SOC 301 Social Problems 3 Units

Advisory: ENGWR 102 or 103, and ENGRD 116 with a grade of "C" or better; OR ESLR 320 and ESLW 320 with a grade of "C" or better; OR placement through assessment process.

General Education: AA/AS Area V(b); CSU Area D0; IGETC Area 4J
Course Transferable to UC/CSU

Hours: 54 hours LEC

This course surveys social problems of present day American society including a study of their causes, consequences, and an evaluation of proposed solutions and methods of treatment. Attention is directed to poverty and inequality, race and gender inequalities, problems of the environment, unequal access to education, and problems in the economy and globalization.

SOC 315 Introduction to Corrections 3 Units

Prerequisite: PSYC 300.

Course Transferable to CSU

Hours: 54 hours LEC

This course covers the development, function and administration of federal, state, county and city law enforcement institutions. Causes and impact of crime and delinquency upon society. Treatment programs at local, state and federal correctional institutions, adult and juvenile, including probation and parole. Lectures, field trips, interviews and report writing.

SOC 320 Minorities in America 3 Units

Advisory: ENGWR 102 or 103, and ENGRD 116 with a grade of "C" or better; OR ESLR 320 and ESLW 320 with a grade of "C" or better; OR placement through assessment process.

General Education: AA/AS Area V(b); AA/AS Area VI; CSU Area D0; IGETC Area 4C; IGETC Area 4J

Course Transferable to UC/CSU

Hours: 54 hours LEC

This course examines patterns of racial and ethnic group relations in the United States of America. The course employs basic sociological approaches to the study of race and ethnicity, with an emphasis on a comparative analysis of historical, social, and economic factors affecting intergroup and intragroup dynamics. The topics include prejudice, discrimination, racism, racial and ethnic stratification, assimilation patterns among groups, demographic shifts, civil rights and other related topics.

SOC 325 Chicano Culture 3 Units

Advisory: ENGWR 102 or 103, and ENGRD 116 with a grade of "C" or better; OR ESLR 320 and ESLW 320 with a grade of "C" or better; OR placement through assessment process.

General Education: AA/AS Area V(b); CSU Area D0; IGETC Area 4J
Course Transferable to UC/CSU

Hours: 54 hours LEC

This course examines the individual Chicano(a) and their culture pattern within the United States; the acquisition of their culture, innovation, adaptation and direction of their cultural development.

SOC 335 Sociology of Aging 3 Units

Same As: GERON 300

Advisory: ENGWR 102 or 103, and ENGRD 116 with a grade of "C" or better; OR ESLR 320 and ESLW 320 with a grade of "C" or better; OR placement through assessment process.

General Education: AA/AS Area III(b); CSU Area E1

Course Transferable to UC/CSU

Hours: 54 hours LEC

This course examines the aged and aging process with emphasis on social factors affecting and affected by an aging population. It includes an analysis of demographics, history of aging in America, social conditions, resources and support systems, employment, retirement, social class/cultural differences. Not open to students who have completed GERON 300.

SOC 342 Gender Relations in American Society 3 Units

Advisory: ENGWR 102 or 103, and ENGRD 116 with a grade of "C" or better; OR ESLR 320 and ESLW 320 with a grade of "C" or better; OR placement through assessment process.

General Education: AA/AS Area V(b); AA/AS Area VI; CSU Area D0; IGETC Area 4J

Course Transferable to UC/CSU

Hours: 54 hours LEC

This course deals with gender relations in American society. It examines historical, social, economic, political, and cultural forces in shaping gender identity, gender roles, and gender expectations. The goal of the course is to utilize sociological theories to explain gender experience as socially constructed rather than biologically determined. Specifically, the course examines the experience of people of diverse economic, racial, and ethnic origins within a historical and cross-cultural perspective. The focus of this course is an analysis and discussion of gender relations in the home, the work place, the mass media, the health care system, and politics.

SOC 350 Sociology of Popular Culture 3 Units

General Education: AA/AS Area V(b); CSU Area D0; IGETC Area 4J
Course Transferable to UC/CSU

Hours: 54 hours LEC

This course analyzes the historical development and emergence of American popular culture and the relationship between contemporary popular culture, social institutions and collective behavior. Further, it considers popular culture within the context of social, political, and economic changes in the United States and includes an analysis of theories of popular culture, hegemony, advertising, music, and film.