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**SOCY 101: INTRO TO SOCIOLOGY**

Have you ever wondered why people behave the way they do? In this class you will gain a scientific understanding of the social world by observing human behavior, including culture, socialization, social inequality, and more, through the window of the sociological perspective—the deeper understanding of how society affects you and how you affect society.

MWF 9:00am-9:50am
Instructor: Dr. Deborah Auriffeille
CRN#21039
MWF 10:00am-10:50am
Instructor: Dr. Julia Arroyo
CRN#20250
MWF 11:00am-11:50am
Instructor: Dr. Julia Arroyo
CRN#21420
TR 10:50am-12:05pm
Instructor: Prof. Brenda Sanders
CRN#20251
TR 3:05pm-4:20pm
Instructor: Dr. Daniel Acton
CRN#20252

Online Full Term
Instructor: Prof. Christopher Boan-Lenzo
CRN#21421, CRN#21321, CRN#21107

**SOCY 102: CONTEMPORARY SOCIAL ISSUES**

This class examines how societies create, perpetuate, and address contemporary social issues, including crime, poverty and economic inequality, racial, ethnic and gender discrimination and environmental degradation. You will engage in a discussion regarding your civic responsibility to become involved in efforts to address these issues in a local and global context.

TR 9:25am-10:40am
Instructor: Dr. Julia McReynolds-Perez
CRN#22982

**SOCY 103: SOCIOLOGY OF THE FAMILY**

An analysis of the family in its social context. Emphasis placed on how socio-cultural factors influence social interaction within families, on social change effects on families and on the relationship of families to the total social system.

Online Full Term
Instructor: Dr. Eunice Bakanic
CRN#20254, CRN#21607
SOCY 105: SOCIOLOGY OF SPORT

This course introduces students to sociology through sport. Using sociological concepts and theoretical approaches, it explores the relationship between sports and society, paying careful attention to social inequality. Students adopt a social problems perspective to assess the extent to which the structure of organized athletics might generate and/or solve various social problems.

Online Full Term
Instructor: Dr. Sarah Hatteberg
CSN#23262

SOCY 106: SOCIOLOGY OF PEACE

This course examines the world through a sociological lens as students discover the making of a Culture of Peace. This class focuses on areas and practices of intercultural cooperation, positive peace, global transformation, non-violent communication, conflict resolution, restorative justice, and community peace-building.

Online Full Term
Instructor: Prof. Reba Parker
CRN#21856, CRN#21857

SOCY 107: ISSUES OF RACE & ETHNICITY

This course offers a critical examination of the social dynamics shaping race and ethnicity in the United States around issues of equity and inclusion. Students will examine both historic and contemporary problems and issues in the areas of racial and ethnic relations including the social construction of race, intersectionality, privilege, bias, institutional and individual-level discrimination, power relations and stratification. Emphasis is placed on the use of empirical evidence to evaluate popular beliefs regarding race and ethnicity.
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**SOCY 260: BIG IDEAS & THINKERS IN SOCIOLOGY**

Explores the Big Ideas that sociologists and other social scientists have developed to provide a scientific understanding of the social causes and consequences of human behavior. This is a required foundation course for Sociology majors and minors completed during the first 18 hours.

Online Full Term
Instructor: Dr. Heath Hoffmann
CRN#20255

Online Full Term
Instructor: Prof. Christopher Boan-Lenzo
CRN#21322

**SOCY 271: INTRO TO SOCIAL RESEARCH**

An introduction to theories and philosophies of social research; tasks and issues in designing research; and sociological methods of data collection. This is a required foundation course for Sociology majors and minors completed during the first 18 hours.

MWF 9:00am-9:50am
Instructor: Dr. Julia Arroyo
CRN#20611

TR 1:40pm-2:55pm
Instructor: Dr. Julia McReynolds-Perez
CRN#21335

**SOCY 272: MAKING OF SOCIOLOGICAL DATA**

Introduction to widely used techniques for analyzing quantitative sociological data. Attention to statistical description and inference, presentation of data, interpreting statistical analyses, and using software for statistical analysis. This is a required foundation course for Sociology majors and minors completed during the first 18 hours.

TR 9:25am-10:40am
Instructor: Dr. Tracy Burkett
CRN#20256

TR 10:50am-12:05pm
Instructor: Dr. Tracy Burkett
CRN#21609
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**SOCY 321: SOCIOLOGY OF EDUCATION**

This course examines educational systems from a sociological perspective. Students unpack their own school experience to better understand it in a social and cultural context and to explore how racial, class, and gender differences play out within the context of schools and school systems. The course provides students the tools to examine issues related to schools, educational policy, and the teaching profession.

MWF 10:00am-10:50am  
Instructor: Dr. David Morris  
CRN#21860

**SOCY 323: SOCIOLOGY OF SUSTAINABILITY & CONSUMPTION**

This course explores ways that individuals, groups, and organizations express environmental desires and respond to environmental concerns. Students examine how environmental problems/issues are often structural and require individuals to become change agents.

Online Express II  
Instructor: Dr. Deborah Auriffeille  
CRN#21861

**SOCY 324: DOING TIME: LIVING, WORKING, & DYING BEHIND BARS**

This class will examine how life is organized for those who are incarcerated in prison. The organization of friendships, love, sex, food, work, recreation, identity and other domains will be explored. We will also discuss the impact that working in prison has on physicians, nurses, dentists and correctional officers in terms of mental health, their relationships and the “courtesy stigma” associated with working inside prison with offenders.

Online Full Term  
Instructor: Dr. Heath Hoffmann  
CRN#22984
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**SOCY 336: DEATH & DYING**

Review of historical and contemporary perspectives on dying and death, including current American practices regarding death, as well as cross-cultural interpretations. Terminal illnesses, biomedical ethical issues, the legal aspects of dying, and the business of dying are discussed in addition to dying and grieving throughout the life cycle.

**TR 9:25am-10:40am**
Instructor: Dr. George Dickinson
CRN#21606

**SOCY 341: CRIMINOLOGY**

This course explores the social and political forces that shape what becomes defined as criminal behavior and how society reacts to crime. The course will consider the principle theories of crime and their application to contemporary crime issues, including corrections, rehabilitation, the organization of crime as entrepreneurial activity, and crime prevention programming.

**TR 1:40pm-2:55pm**
Instructor: Dr. Daniel Acton
CRN#20755

**SOCY 344: SOCIAL GERONTOLOGY**

An overview of the field of gerontology. The complex experience of aging is studied within a multidisciplinary approach, with emphasis on the contributions of research from sociology, biology and psychology. This course examines how society understands, experiences and views aging as well as how the aging understand, experience and view society.

**TR 1:40pm-2:55pm**
Instructor: Prof. Brenda Sanders
CRN#21608
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**SOCY 360: CLASS, POWER, & PRIVILEGE**

A critical analysis of the distribution of class, power and privilege in the United States, theories of class, power and mobility, and the implications of a global economy.

**TR 1:40pm-2:55pm**
**Instructor: Dr. Tracy Burkett**
**CRN#22986**

**SOCY 366: RACE & ETHNIC RELATIONS**

An in-depth examination of the problems associated with race and ethnic relations in contemporary American society.

**Online Full Term**
**Instructor: Dr. Eunice Bakanic**
**CRN#21863**

**SOCY 390: SENIOR SEMINAR**

A capstone course for sociology majors. Specific topics will vary depending on the instructor’s interests and expertise. Students will be asked to demonstrate their understanding of the connection between theoretical perspectives, research methods and empirical results through examinations, a research project, an analytical paper, or some combination of the above.

**TR Online 9:25am-10:40am**
**Instructor: Dr. Sarah Hatteberg**
**CRN#22987**