SOCIOLOGY (SOC)

SOC-204Z Introduction to Sociology

4 credits, Fall/Winter/Spring/Summer

Introduces the central concepts, theories, and methods that define the sociological approach to investigating the social forces that shape our lives. Topics may include social structure, culture, socialization, race, class, gender, sexuality, and inequality.

Recommended Prerequisites: WRD-098 or placement in WR-121Z

SOC-205Z Social Change and Institutions

4 credits, Fall/Winter/Spring

Sociological analysis of social institutions, such as family, education, health care, the economy, and the state. Includes an examination of connections among institutions and their impact on patterns of inequality and individual outcomes. Examines the forces and dynamics behind social change, such as social movements, culture, economic forces, technologies, and the environment.

Recommended Prerequisites: WRD-098 or placement in WR-121Z

SOC-206Z Social Problems

4 credits, Fall/Winter/Spring

Applies the sociological perspective to the study of social problems, including their social construction, causes, and consequences. Explores the complexities surrounding their solutions, such as how solutions are socially constructed and policy proposals from sociologists and social movements. Topics may include poverty, discrimination, interpersonal violence, crime, addiction, ecological crises, war/global conflict, and health inequality.

Recommended Prerequisites: WRD-098 or placement in WR-121Z

SOC-207 Social Stratification & Social Systems

4 credits, Fall/Winter/Spring/Summer

This course explores the inequality that exists in our society. Social stratification is the unequal distribution of resources and opportunities in a society. Issues like gender, race, poverty, education and capitalism will be explored and discussed in an attempt to understand their impact on the inequality that we experience in our society. Various sociological theories will be introduced and utilized to explore and enhance our understanding of these issues.

Recommended Prerequisites: WRD-098 or placement in WR-121Z

SOC-210 Marriage, Family, & Intimate Relations

4 credits, Fall/Winter/Spring

This course will introduce students to the study of marriage, intimate relations and family systems from the sociological viewpoint. Students will examine the ways in which race, class, gender, sexuality, community, and society influence patterns of courtship, intimate relations, marriage, and family, and explore the various challenges facing families today. Recommended Prerequisites: WRD-098 or placement in WR-121Z

SOC-280 Sociology/CWE

2-6 credits, Fall/Winter/Spring

Cooperative work experience. This course allows students who are already working in the field of sociology to earn college credit for that work. Required: Student Petition.

Corequisites: CWE-281