SOCIAL SCIENCE (SSC)

SSC-160 Faith & Reason

4 credits, Not Offered Every Term An introduction of how personal concepts of faith & reason and institutions of science & religion shape personal intellectual landscapes. Examines classical philosophy, sacred texts, worldviews, modern fiction, poetry, theology, cosmology, and evolutionary biology. Recommended Prerequisites: WRD-098 or placement in WR-121Z

SSC-235 Perspectives on Terrorism

4 credits, Not Offered Every Term

Examines multiple perspectives of terrorism and investigates their assumptions and beliefs. Perspectives will include historical and psychological approaches as well as those of other academic disciplines, including art, literature, religion, and philosophy. Recommended Prerequisites: WRD-098 or placement in WR-121Z

SSC-237 Perspectives on Democracy and Dialogue

4 credits, Not Offered Every Term

This course gives students the opportunity to practice the fundamental keystone of democracy: dialogue. The course will explore the variety of American political thought and philosophies through conversations with others in the community, crossing the political spectrum as well as broaching the lines of urban/rural context, socio-economic class, racial and ethnic identity, sex-gender identification, sexuality, age, religious affiliation and non-affiliation, and spiritual practices.

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

SSC-240 American Military Conflict: Wars of National Identity 4 credits, Not Offered Every Term

Examines America's wars of national identity, principally the American Revolution and the Civil War. Explores characteristics of such wars, variations over time and space, and shaping influences and impacts on American society and culture, both military and civilian. Recommended Prerequisites: WRD-098 or placement in WR-121Z

SSC-241 American Military Conflict: Global War

4 credits, Not Offered Every Term

Examines America as a global power in 20th Century conflicts–World Wars I and II, the Cold War and possible future global conflicts. Explores characteristics of global war, variations over time and space, and shaping influences and impacts on American society and culture, both military and civilian.

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

SSC-242 American Military Conflict: Asymmetric Warfare

4 credits, Not Offered Every Term

Examines America's military experience in asymmetric conflicts from colonial times to the present. Explores characteristics of asymmetric war, variations over time and space, and impacts on American society and culture, both military and civilian.

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