

SOCIOLOGY (SOC) - ROCK COUNTY

Courses

SOC 101 INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY 3 Units

Introduction to the basic concepts, theories and methods of Sociology, emphasizing the significance of the self and culture, social process and organization, and forces of social stability and change.

SOC 130 CONTEMPORARY SOCIAL PROBLEMS 3 Units

Sociological analysis of the nature, extent, causes, and potential solutions to selected major social problems such as poverty and wealth, racial and gender discrimination, crime and violence, drug abuse, family problems, quality of education, inadequate health care, population problems, intergroup conflict, and threats to the environment.

SOC 220 SOCIOLOGY OF MARRIAGE AND THE FAMILY 3 Units

Marriage and the family as social institutions in a changing world. Historical changes and societal variations in family patterns. Changes over the life cycle. Explores the sources and consequences of a variety of family forms.

PREREQ: 15 UNITS OF COURSEWORK

SOC 231 CRIME AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE 3 Units

Explores the nature of crime and reviews ideas about definitions, causes, and solutions. Includes an introduction to the day-to-day functioning of the criminal justice system, the police, lawyers, courts, and correctional personnel.

PREREQ: 15 UNITS OF COURSEWORK

SOC 234 SOCIOLOGY OF RACE AND ETHNICITY 3 Units

The experience of American racial, religious, ethnic and nationality groups. The nature of intergroup relations in the U.S. Relationship of intergroup dynamics to social change, and to basic ideological, technological, and institutional structures and processes. Emphasis on social conflict over the distribution of economic and political power, family patterns, housing, education and access to the legal system.

SOC 238 SOCIOLOGICAL PERSPECTIVES ON GENDER 3 Units

A sociological examination of roles assigned to women and men in society, including the experiences of marriage, parenthood, employment and occupational attainment. Pays particular attention to gender role socialization and its cultural reinforcement, to patterns of gender relations and to ongoing changes.

PREREQ: 15 UNITS OF COURSEWORK

SOC 285 SOCIOLOGY OF HEALTH AND ILLNESS 3 Units

Sociological perspectives on health and illness, with special attention to changes in patterns of illness and death as they relate to broader socio-economic changes and to changes in orientation and organization of health care providers. Among major topics that the course covers are: competing theories of disease and death trends; social circumstances under which epidemics emerge and are curbed; public health and medical center models of providing health care and preventing disease, injury, and death; organization of health care providers; comparisons among health systems.

PREREQ: 15 UNITS OF COURSEWORK

SOC 299 INDEPENDENT READING IN SOCIOLOGY *Repeatable* 1-3 Units

Consent of the instructor required.

SOC 355 SOCIOLOGY OF THE ENVIRONMENT 3 Units

Explores the socio-cultural foundations of our relationship with the natural environment. Examines the relationship between environmental degradation and social, political, and economic structures. Explores beliefs and values about the environment and their expression in various forms of environmentalism and environmental movements. Also analyzes the presentation of environmental issues in cultural, political, and scientific domains.

PREREQ: 15 UNITS OF COURSEWORK