Sociology (SOCI)

SOCI 807 Strategies of Social Research: Qualitative Methods
Crosslisted with: SOCI 407
Description: Systematic review and application of qualitative research methods, including participant observation, unstructured interviewing, audiovisual techniques and personal document analysis; data collection and interpretation emphasized as well as different theoretical assumptions underlying their various approaches.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC

SOCI 818 Data Collection Methods
Crosslisted with: SRAM 818
Description: Effects of various data collection methods on survey errors. The strengths, weaknesses, and challenges of data collection modes and mixed-mode methods. Processes underlying data collection and practical challenges that arise with each mode; coverage error; nonresponse error; interviewer effects and training; timing; and mode effects.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC

SOCI 819 Applied Sampling
Crosslisted with: SRAM 819
Description: Design of probability samples, sampling populations of humans and unique challenges posed by such populations, restricted by cost and available sampling frames. Simple random sampling, stratification, cluster sampling, systematic sampling, multistage sampling, and probability proportional to size sampling, area probability sampling, and telephone samples.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC

SOCI 835 Mass Communication
Crosslisted with: SOCI 435
Prerequisites: 9 hrs sociology or related social sciences.
Description: Analysis of the structure and effects of the media of mass communication.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC

SOCI 843 Sociology of Mental Health
Crosslisted with: SOCI 443
Prerequisites: 9 hrs sociology or related social sciences.
Description: Social origins of mental health and illness; social distribution of mental health by race, class, and gender; social construction of mental health; mental health care systems.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LAB

SOCI 844 Social Demography
Crosslisted with: SOCI 444
Prerequisites: 9 hrs sociology or related social sciences.
Description: Historical and cross-cultural approach to population issues by linking changes in fertility and mortality to social institutions. Focuses on the link between population processes and such issues as gender roles, the role of the family, the Third World, and poverty and inequality.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC

SOCI 845 Sociology of Urban Areas
Crosslisted with: SOCI 445
Prerequisites: 9 hrs sociology or related social sciences.
Description: Trends in urbanization that incorporate demography, ecology, and planning. Selected urban problems.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC

SOCI 848 Family Diversity
Crosslisted with: ETHN 448, SOCI 448
Prerequisites: 9 hrs sociology or related social sciences.
Description: Analyzes diversity in family structure and family choices. Includes: rural families, gay/lesbian families, Native American families, African American families, Latino families, working class and working poor families and cohabitation.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC

SOCI 849 Perspectives on Families
Crosslisted with: SOCI 449
Prerequisites: 9 hrs sociology or related social sciences.
Description: Sociological perspectives on marriage and different family types. Focuses on formation and organization of families, and issues confronting families. Emphasizes contemporary research and theory.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
SOCI 852 Sociology of Religion
Crosslisted with: SOCI 452
Prerequisites: 9 hrs sociology or related social sciences.
Description: Consideration of sources and nature of religion, drawing on contributions of anthropologists, sociologists, psychologists, and others. Emphasis on interaction of religion and society.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC

SOCI 854 Physical Health Disparities
Crosslisted with: SOCI 454, ETHN 454
Prerequisites: 9 hrs sociology or related social sciences.
Description: Contribution of social inequality to health outcomes; intersection of individual and social factors through which racial, economic, and gender differences in health emerge.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC

SOCI 855 History of Sociological Theory
Crosslisted with: SOCI 455
Prerequisites: 9 hrs sociology or related social sciences.
Description: Survey of the nineteenth- and early twentieth-century writers whose ideas have had a strong impact on the development of contemporary sociology and sociological theories. Emphasis on the work of such persons as Karl Marx, Emile Durkheim, Max Weber, George Herbert Mead, and Georg Simmel.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC

SOCI 860 Education and Society
Crosslisted with: SOCI 460
Prerequisites: 9 hrs sociology or related social sciences.
Description: Analysis of education as a social institution and its relationship to other institutions, e.g., economy, polity, religion, and the family. Emphasizes the role of the educational institution as an agent of stability and change. Emphasis on research and policy evaluation.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC

SOCI 862 Basic Regression Analysis
Crosslisted with: SOCI 462, SRAM 863
Prerequisites: SOCI 101, 205, and 206; and permission.
Description: The logic and techniques of sociological data analysis: use statistical software to run linear regression analyses and assess violations of regression assumption; the development of theoretically driven models; and the interpretation of results from linear regression analyses.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC

SOCI 863 Advanced Social Research Methods
Crosslisted with: SOCI 463
Prerequisites: SOCI 101, 205, and 206; and permission.
Description: The logic and design of sociological research: the nature of science and logic of social inquiry; epistemic relations; design of research problems; data collection techniques and sampling.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC

SOCI 864 Sociological Theory
Crosslisted with: SOCI 464
Prerequisites: 9 hrs sociology or related social sciences.
Description: The conceptual structures of selected theorists and of the basis of theory construction and testing.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC

SOCI 865 Survey Design and Analysis
Crosslisted with: SOCI 465, SRAM 465, SRAM 865
Description: Basic issues related to the design and analysis of sample surveys. The basics of questionnaire construction, sampling, data collection, analysis and data presentation.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC

SOCI 866 Pro-seminar in International Relations I
Crosslisted with: ECON 466, AECN 467, ANTH 479, GEOG 448, HIST 479, POLS 466, SOCI 466, ANTH 879, ECON 866, GEOG 848, HIST 879, POLS 866
Prerequisites: Senior standing and permission.
Notes: Open to students with an interest in international relations.
Description: Topic varies.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Groups: International Relations&Compar Integrative Courses, Research Human-Economic Geography Comp Intrntnl & Reg Developmnt Variable group based on topic

SOCI 867 Advanced Regression Analysis
Description: Multiple linear regression analysis (extending the analytic framework) to include non-normal and limited dependent variables with a focus on sociological problems and statistical software applications.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
SOCI 870 Sociology of Occupations and Professions
Crosslisted with: SOCI 470
Prerequisites: 9 hrs sociology or related social sciences.
Description: Presentation of frameworks for occupations and professions; analysis of occupational structure and mobility in American society and its relation to adult socialization and career development; occupational and professional associations and society.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC

SOCI 871 Human Sexuality and Society
Crosslisted with: CYAF 471, EDPS 471, PSYC 471, SOCI 471, CYAF 871, EDPS 871, PSYC 871
Prerequisites: Junior standing.
Notes: Open to advanced students planning careers in the professions in which knowledge of human behavior and society is important (e.g., helping professions, medicine, law, ministry, education, etc.).
Description: Interdisciplinary approach to the study of human sexuality in terms of the psychological, social, cultural, anthropological, legal, historical, and physical characteristics of individual sexuality and sex in society.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC

SOCI 874 Sociology of Deviance
Crosslisted with: SOCI 474
Prerequisites: 9 hrs sociology or related social sciences.
Notes: CRIM 413 and SOCI 474 cannot both be applied toward the degree.
Description: Theory and empirical research on conformity and deviance. Survey of the development of scholarly thinking on the nature and sources of deviance, societal reactions to deviance, and processes of social control.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC

SOCI 875 Water Quality Strategy
Crosslisted with: NRES 475, NRES 875, SOCI 475, SOIL 475, WATS 475, AGRO 475, AGRO 875, CIVE 475, CIVE 875, CRPL 475, CRPL 875, GEOL 475, GEOL 875, MSYM 475, MSYM 875, POLS 475, POLS 875
Prerequisites: Senior standing or permission.
Notes: Capstone course.
Description: Holistic approach to the selection and analysis of planning strategies for protecting water quality from nonpoint sources of contamination. Introduction to the use of methods of analyzing the impact of strategies on whole systems and subsystems; for selecting strategies; and for evaluating present strategies.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
Groups: American Government & Public Policy

SOCI 878 Pro-seminar in Latin American Studies
Crosslisted with: ANTH 478, GEOG 478, HIST 478, LAMS 478, POLS 478, SOCI 478, MODL 478, EDPS 478, ANTH 878, GEOG 878, HIST 878, POLS 878, MODL 878, EDPS 878
Prerequisites: Junior standing and permission.
Description: An interdisciplinary analysis of topical issues in Latin American Studies.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 6
Format: LEC
Groups: Regional Geography

SOCI 880 Social Inequality: Stratification and Life Chances
Crosslisted with: SOCI 480
Prerequisites: 9 hrs sociology or related social sciences.
Description: Structured inequalities, including social class, race/ethnicity, gender and age stratification. The intersections of these as institutionalized inequalities examined for their causes and effects on individuals and groups. Emphasis on the role of social power, economic resources and occupational structures in the nature of inequality and social mobility in the United States.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC

SOCI 881 Minority Groups
Crosslisted with: ETHN 481, SOCI 481
Prerequisites: 9 hrs sociology or related social sciences.
Description: Systematic examination of racial, ethnic, and other minority groups. History and present status of such groups, the origins of prejudice and discrimination, and the application of social science knowledge toward the elimination of minority group problems.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC

SOCI 890 Sociology of Gender
Crosslisted with: SOCI 490, WMNS 490
Prerequisites: 9 hrs social sciences.
Notes: SOCI 200 is strongly recommended.
Description: Evaluation and application of scholarly theory and research on gender in societal context. The nature and effects of sex stratification, gendered culture, institutionalized sexism, feminist theory and sociology of knowledge.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC

SOCI 891 Political Sociology
Crosslisted with: SOCI 491
Prerequisites: 9 hrs sociology or related social sciences.
Description: Application of sociological analysis to the problem of power; power structures and elite formation as they relate to democratic society and political extremism.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC
SOCI 897 Fieldwork in Sociology
Prerequisites: Permission
Description: Opportunity to apply concepts and methods in field setting and to obtain experience that will be valuable preparation for professional assignments in research, policy analysis, and administration.
Credit Hours: 1-6
Min credits per semester: 1
Max credits per semester: 6
Max credits per degree: 6
Format: FLD

SOCI 898 Special Topics
Crosslisted with: SOCI 498
Prerequisites: Varies.
Description: Wide variety of different topics.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 24
Format: LEC

SOCI 899 Masters Thesis
Prerequisites: Admission to masters degree program and permission of major adviser
Credit Hours: 1-10
Min credits per semester: 1
Max credits per semester: 10
Max credits per degree: 99
Format: IND

SOCI 901 Seminar in Sociological Theory
Prerequisites: Permission
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 9
Format: LEC

SOCI 902 Seminar in Research Methods
Crosslisted with: SRAM 902
Prerequisites: Permission
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 9
Format: LEC

SOCI 903 Seminar in Health
Prerequisites: Permission
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 9
Format: LEC

SOCI 904 Seminar in Family
Prerequisites: Permission
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 9
Format: LEC

SOCI 905 Seminar in Stratification, Class, and Inequality
Prerequisites: Permission
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 9
Format: LEC

SOCI 906 Seminar in Race and Ethnicity
Prerequisites: Permission
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 9
Format: LEC

SOCI 907 Seminar in Sex and Gender
Prerequisites: Permission
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 9
Format: LEC

SOCI 908 Seminar in Crime and Deviance
Prerequisites: Permission
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 9
Format: LEC

SOCI 921 Total Survey Error
Crosslisted with: SRAM 921
Description: Common language of survey errors across social science disciplines. Causes of survey coverage, nonresponse, measurement, and processing errors; techniques used to reduce the error in practice; and statistical models and designs that exist to measure the error. Implications of cost and trade-offs between error sources.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC

SOCI 947 Questionnaire Design
Crosslisted with: PSYC 947, SRAM 947
Description: Design of questionnaires for survey research and the theoretical and practical issues arising from them. Selection of appropriate measurement techniques for assessing opinions, past behaviors and events, and factual material.
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC

SOCI 995 Seminar in Professional Development
Credit Hours: 1
Max credits per semester: 1
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC

SOCI 995A Teaching
Credit Hours: 1
Max credits per semester: 1
Max credits per degree: 1
Format: LEC

SOCI 995B Graduate Study and Career Research
Credit Hours: 1
Max credits per semester: 1
Max credits per degree: 1
Format: LEC
SOCI 995D Publications Seminar
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 3
Format: LEC

SOCI 996 Research Other Than Thesis
Prerequisites: Permission
Credit Hours: 1-9
Min credits per semester: 1
Max credits per semester: 9
Max credits per degree: 9
Format: IND

SOCI 998 Special Topics Seminar
Prerequisites: Permission
Credit Hours: 3
Max credits per semester: 3
Max credits per degree: 9
Format: LEC

SOCI 999 Doctoral Dissertation
Prerequisites: Admission to doctoral degree program and permission of supervisory committee chair
Credit Hours: 1-24
Min credits per semester: 1
Max credits per semester: 24
Max credits per degree: 99
Format: IND