



Department of Sociology and Anthropology
COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

SOCIOLOGY COURSE CATALOG

FALL 2023



SOCI 1200

PERSONAL & PROFESSIONAL SUCCESS

MW 9:00 AM–9:50 AM TBA

A first-year experience course for new students and new transfer students interested in a career in the social sciences. Provides the necessary foundation for success in a college environment while balancing personal and/or work obligations. Orients students to life on campus, demonstrates how to leverage campus resources to achieve career and academic goals, and emphasizes engagement outside the classroom through collaborative and co-curricular opportunities. Fulfills the University requirement for either UNIV 1101 or UNIV 1131.

SOCI 1310

INTRODUCTION TO POP CULTURE

ONLINE TBA

AO ONLINE Dr. Lauren Dent

This course introduces students to the role of popular culture in American society. It examines culture as a process through which people make symbolic meaning out of the world. The course explores the creation, production, dissemination, reception, and consumption of popular culture.

SOCI 1311

INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY

MWF 9:00 AM–9:50 AM Dr. Jason Shelton

TR 11:00 AM–12:20 PM Dr. Krystal Beamon

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ONLINE TBA

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A scientific approach to the analysis and explanation of culture, personality, and social organization. The social processes and mechanisms of interaction involved in the natural process of cultural development, dissemination, assimilation, and the institutions of the group.



SOCI 2312

SOCIAL PROBLEMS

ONLINE TBA

A survey of contemporary social problems in the United States. Emphasis is on applying different theoretical perspectives and systematic procedures to understand social problems as public issues rather than personal problems. This course satisfies the University of Texas at Arlington core curriculum requirement in Social and Behavioral Sciences.

SOCI 3313

CRIMINOLOGY

ONLINE TBA

Crime-related social issues. Defining and measuring crime, surveying major theoretical explanations of criminal behavior, and society's formal responses to crime and criminals.

SOCI 3322

RACE, LATINOS, AND THE AMERICAN NARRATIVE

MWF 10:00 AM–10:50 AM Dr. Alma Garza

Adopts race and ethnicity as a central platform to examine how sociocultural and structural processes intersect to shape an American narrative of Latinos in the United States. Assesses topics like ethnic capital, socioeconomic mobility, and the digital age to broaden a sociological understanding of Latino group progress in relation to widening inequality gaps.

SOCI 3328

MARITAL & SEXUAL LIFESTYLES

ONLINE TBA

Contemporary American lifestyles selected from: singles, traditional marriage, homosexuals, single-parent families, open marriage, non-marital sexuality, cohabitation, dual-career marriage, childless couples, egalitarian marriage, families in later life.

SOCI 3331

SOCIOLOGY OF FAMILY

MWF 10:00 AM–10:50 AM Dr. Beth Anne Shelton

The family's role in American society and in other cultures past, present, and future. Family research methods, comparative family systems, child development/parenting, culture and personality, minority families, social class variation in families, work, family.

SOCI 3334

SOCIOLOGY OF GENDER

ONLINE TBA

Examination of theoretical and empirical approaches to understanding the formation of gender. Assesses individual and structural dimensions of gender in various social institutions including work, education, and families.

SOCI 3336

SOCIAL INEQUALITY

ONLINE TBA

Examines the processes, characteristics, and consequences of social inequality in society. Topics include the social class structure, status groups, and elite power structure as they influence people's life chances.

SOCI 3347

ENVIRONMENTAL SOCIOLOGY

TR 11:00 AM–12:20 PM Dr. Kelly Bergstrand

Explores the causes, consequences, and potential resolutions of environmental issues as they relate to human society. Topics include the social roots of environmental problems, inequalities in the distribution of environmental risks and harms, and new directions in sustainable development.

SOCI 3352

SOCIAL STATISTICS

MWF 9:00 AM–9:50 AM Dr. Robert Kunovich

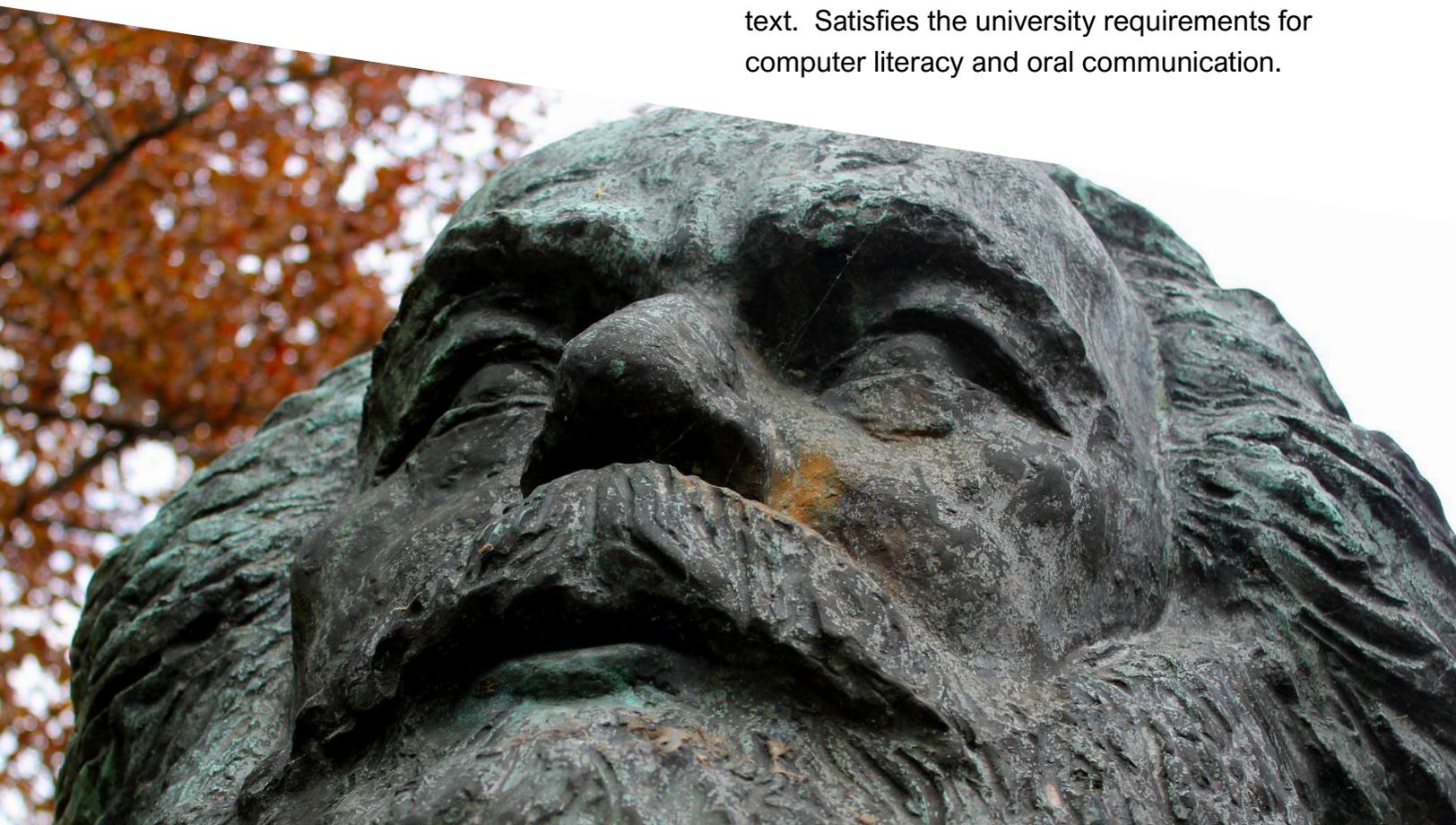
The social sciences and related applied fields today require some familiarity with statistical methods of data analysis. This course introduces a set of concepts that will help students understand numerical description, inference and explanation applied to human society and social behavior. Emphasis is on statistical reasoning and interpretation; what statistics to use for particular purposes and how to make sense of the results.

SOCI 3355

APPS & TOOLS FOR SOCIAL RESEARCH

MWF 10:00 AM–10:50 AM Dr. Robert Kunovich

A hands-on course in which students learn to use the apps and tools commonly used in qualitative and quantitative social research to collect, manage, analyze, and present different types of information, such as numeric data, pictures, audio, video, and text. Satisfies the university requirements for computer literacy and oral communication.





SOCI 3356

WOMEN, WORK & SOCIAL CHANGE

MWF 11:00 AM–11:50 AM Dr. Beth Anne Shelton

Women's work experiences, how these experiences are changing, and relationship between paid employment and non-wage household labor. Paid and unpaid work experiences are empirically examined in terms of a variety of theoretical perspectives.

SOCI 3362

SOCIAL RESEARCH

MWF 11:00 AM–11:50 AM Dr. Alma Garza

Required of all sociology majors. The major quantitative and qualitative techniques for sociological research. Setting up and implementing a research project, interpreting findings, and preparing a required final paper.

SOCI 3373

SOCIAL THEORY THROUGH POPULAR CULTURE

TR 9:30 AM–10:50 AM Dr. David Arditi

This course examines major theories and figures who have provided sociology with interpretations of the social world. Students will read major social, cultural, and political theories through popular culture texts (including movies, television, music, video games, and comic books) in order to interpret sociological theory. The course is designed to demonstrate the relevance of social theory in students' everyday lives.

SOCI 4320

MEDICAL SOCIOLOGY

ONLINE TBA

The relationships between different societies and social groups and their incidence of disease and mortality. Also examines culture-related causes of disease and treatment approaches, medicine as an occupation, healer-patient relationships, and the modern hospital as a bureaucratic organization.

SOCI 4341

INEQUALITIES IN PUBLIC EDUCATION

TR 9:30 AM–10:50 AM Dr. Krystal Beamon

This course examines the manner in which race, ethnicity, and class affect the quality of education in the public schools. Topics include the resegregation of schools, class and race based achievement and funding gaps, and the role the schools play in reproducing inequality. This course has a service learning component and requires volunteering in programs designed to reduce inequality in the schools.

SOCI 5301

SOCIOLOGICAL THEORY

T 2:00 PM–4:50 PM Dr. David Ardit

A comprehensive review, analysis, and evaluation of the dominant conceptual perspectives, and their proponents, in sociological theory.

SOCI 5304

SOCIAL STATISTICS I

W 4:00 PM–6:50 PM Dr. Robert Kunovich

This course reviews univariate and bivariate descriptive and inferential statistics, focuses on ordinary least squares multivariate regression (including statistical control, path analysis, dummy variables, interaction effects, nonlinear relationships, and regression assumptions), and introduces the generalized linear model (binary logistic regression). Emphasis is on the application of these methods to social science data.

SOCI 5312

SOCIOLOGY OF REPRODUCTION

M 4:00 PM–6:50 PM Dr. Heather Jacobson

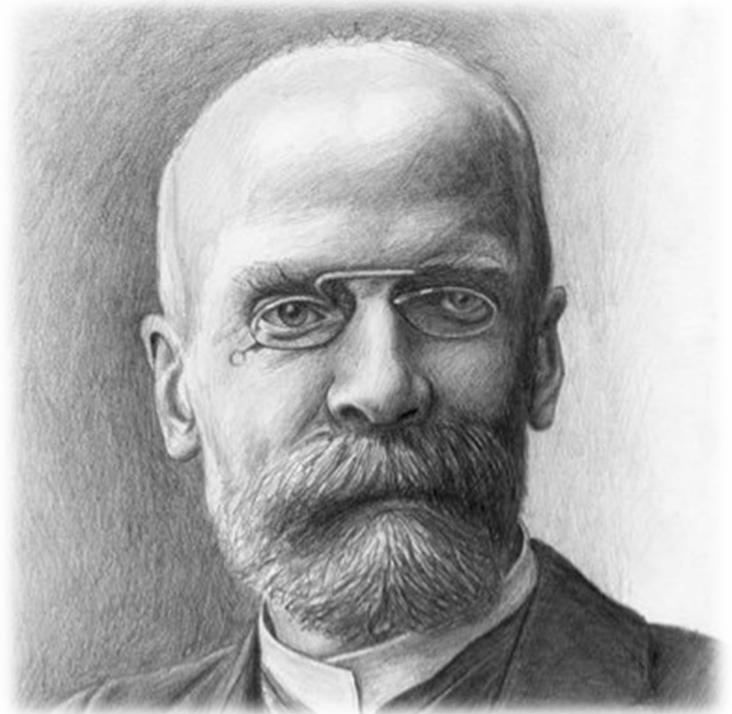
This seminar course investigates the history and sociology of reproduction in the United States. We examine the history of reproductive politics, the changing meaning of children, childbirth education, the experience of birth for both men and women, pre-natal diagnostic testing, pregnancy loss, adoption, infertility, living "child-free," new reproductive technologies, sperm/egg donation, surrogacy, and the burgeoning "baby business." The course explores the cultural norms, social institutions, and experiences of men and women as they navigate contemporary reproduction, mindful of variations by race, class, and gender.

SOCI 5326

SOCIAL MOVEMENTS

R 2:00 PM–4:50 PM Dr. Kelly Bergstrand

Examines core concepts and theoretical perspectives in social movements. Topics include recruitment and participation, tactics in activism, countermobilization, repression, and the effectiveness of movements in changing both policy and cultural norms.





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MINOR IN SOCIOLOGY

The Sociology Minor requires 6 courses (18 hours) of Sociology courses. Courses fulfilling core requirements count toward the minor.

MINOR IN POPULAR CULTURE

The Popular Culture Minor helps prepare students to work in the entertainment industry and/or to understand the role of popular culture in their everyday lives.