



Department of Sociology and Anthropology
COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

SOCIOLOGY COURSE CATALOG

SPRING 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

MWF 10:00 AM - 10:50 AM Dr. David Arditì

ONLINE Ms. Faye Hanson-Evans

ONLINE & 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

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

TR 12:30 PM - 1:50 PM Dr. Krystal Beamon

ONLINE Ms. Faye Hanson-Evans

ONLINE & AO ONLINE Dr. Dorothy Kalanzi

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

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

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 Ms. Sara Skiles-Dutoit

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 3328

MARITAL & SEXUAL LIFESTYLES

ONLINE Ms. Sara Skiles-Dutoit

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 9:00 AM - 9:50 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 and family.

SOCI 3334

SOCIOLOGY OF GENDER

ONLINE Ms. Faye Hanson-Evans

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 Dr. Dorothy Kalanzi

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. Offered as AAST 3336 and SOCI 3336; credit will be granted in only one department.

SOCI 3338

CONTEMPORARY BLACK EXPERIENCE

MWF 10:00 AM - 10:50 AM Dr. Jason Shelton

An overview of recent research concerning the African American experience in the post-civil rights era. Topics include explanations for racial differences across spheres of society such as income, education, and occupation; the debate over race versus social class; the persistence of racial discrimination; and emerging disputes within the black community regarding "what it means to be black." Offered as AAST 3338 and SOCI 3338; credit will be granted in only one department.

SOCI 3340

SOCIOLOGY OF EDUCATION

TR 9:30 AM - 10:50 AM Dr. Alma Garza

Social relations between the school and society, teachers and parents, teachers and school management, and other relevant relationships. Studying cooperation and conflict, values, complex organizational structure, and social change. Prerequisite: sophomore standing or permission of the instructor.

SOCI 3348

SOCIAL ASPECTS OF RISK

TR 11:00 AM - 12:20 PM Dr. Robert Kunovich

An examination of the social aspects of risk in everyday life. The course covers the relationship between risk and thrill-seeking behavior, risk assessment and the management of risk by technical experts, risk perceptions among the general public, and how technology and culture change the nature and meaning of risk over time.





SOCI 3351

WORK, OCCUPATIONS, AND CAREER DEVELOPMENT

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

Combines applied information on career development with a sociological perspective on work and occupations. Career development topics may include academic majors and career options, networking, career mentorship and sponsorship, job searches, resume writing, and interviewing. Other topics may include the historical development of work, occupational structures (professional, managerial, service, and blue-collar occupations), inequalities, work satisfaction, work-life balance, and the future of work.

SOCI 3352

SOCIAL STATISTICS

MWF 11:00 AM - 11:50 AM Dr. Kelly Bergstrand

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 3356

WOMEN, WORK, AND SOCIAL CHANGE

MWF 1:00 PM - 1:50 PM 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. Offered as DIVR 3356, SOCI 3356 and WOMS 3356; credit will be granted only once.

SOCI 3372

SOCIOLOGICAL THEORY

TR 12:30 PM - 1:50 PM Dr. Alma Garza

This course introduces students to major theories and figures who have provided sociology with interpretations of the social world. Students will consider how sociologists use theoretical concepts to understand social interactions, social problems, and social change. Students will apply sociological theories to social phenomena. Prerequisite: junior standing or permission of the instructor.

SOCI 3381

GIG WORKERS

MWF 1:00 PM - 1:50 PM Dr. David Arditi

This course examines the way employers increasingly rely on temporary flexible labor, and what it feels like to be employed precariously. Themes may include creative labor, cultural production, automation, algorithmic hiring, labor contracts, and exploitation.

SOCI 4320

MEDICAL SOCIOLOGY

ONLINE Dr. Dorothy Kalanzi

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 5303

RESEARCH DESIGN

M 2:00 PM - 4:50 PM Dr. Kelly Bergstrand

This seminar course overviews the process of designing, conducting, and presenting research. Topics include writing literature reviews, formulating research questions and hypotheses, designing measures for concepts, crafting research instruments, collecting data, analyzing data, and reporting the results. The course examines both quantitative methods, such as surveys and experiments, as well as qualitative methods, such as interviews and ethnographic observation.

SOCI 5319

A SOCIOLOGICAL GUIDE TO THE APOCALYPSE

T 2:00 PM - 4:50 PM Dr. Robert Kunovich

Seminars in this area are concerned with the structure and change of the basic elements of society that represent ordered and regulated aspects of social life. Also examined are collective behavior and social movements which result from instability in institutional arrangements and represent efforts to enact social change. (May be repeated for credit when topics vary.).

SOCI 5325

READING THE QUALITATIVE CLASSICS

M 2:30 PM - 5:20 PM Dr. Heather Jacobson

What makes a classic a classic? In this seminar course we will sample-read, examine, and analyze the wealth of "classic" ethnographies within the field of Sociology. We will study the classics with an eye to exploring the qualities that make these exemplary texts which often connect people to and excite them about the field of Sociology.



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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.