

# SOCIOLOGY (SOCI)

**SOCI-COMP Senior Comprehensive Exam**  
(NULL credits) (Both Fall & Spring Semesters)  
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**SOCI-1000 Introduction to Sociology**  
(3 credits) (Both Fall & Spring Semesters)  
Introduction to Sociology (3) (B) This course is designed to introduce students to the discipline of sociology. Classical and contemporary theories will be introduced as a means of understanding social phenomena. Applications and examples will be drawn from various sub-disciplines such as culture, deviance, religion, and identity construction. (PC)

**General Education Categories:** Person & Community

**SOCI-2250 Social Problems**  
(3 credits) (Discretion of Department)  
Social Problems (3) (D) This course provides an examination of selected social problems. Topics include poverty, hunger, economic inequalities, social development, and health. (PC)

**General Education Categories:** Person & Community

**SOCI-2350 Cultural Anthropology**  
(3 credits) (Discretion of Department)  
Cultural Anthropology (3) (D) Using functional analysis, students will explore a variety of cultures and discuss what creates similarities and differences between cultures in components such as food production and consumption, relationship strategies, social control, religious practices and worldviews. (PC, GP)

**General Education Categories:** Global Perspective, Person & Community

**SOCI-3105 Sociological Theory**  
(3 credits) (Spring Semester)  
Sociological Theory (3) (S) This course offers an introduction to classical and contemporary sociological theory. Emphasis is placed on the foundational theorists (Marx, Durkheim, and Weber) and their works, how their work was shaped by the social context in which they were produced, how their work connects with broader development in social and economic thought in the nineteenth and early twentieth century, and how they influence sociological theory today. (WP)

**General Education Categories:** Western Perspective

**SOCI-3155 Research Design for Sociology & Crimin**  
(3 credits) (Fall Semester)  
Research Design for Sociology and Criminology (3) (F) This course presents a general overview of the methods and procedures of research design in sociology and criminology. (SM)

**Prerequisite(s):** SOCI-1000 or CRIM-1000.

**General Education Categories:** Scientific Method

**SOCI-3205 Marriage & the Family**  
(3 credits) (Spring Semester)  
Marriage & the Family (3) (S) This course investigates the institutions of marriage and family using sociological and anthropological approaches. (PC)

**General Education Categories:** Person & Community

**SOCI-3245 Sociology of Religion**  
(3 credits) (Discretion of Department)  
Sociology of Religion (3) (D) (Formerly: Religion in Culture and Society)  
An investigation of religious phenomena from cultural and sociological perspectives. Examines the nature and functions of belief systems cross-culturally, and the interrelatedness of religion with various other sectors of culture and society.

**SOCI-3250 Race & Ethnicity**  
(3 credits) (Fall Semester)  
Race & Ethnicity(3) (F) (Formerly Sociology of Race) This course analyzes race and ethnicity using historical, sociological, and anthropological approaches. The causes, impacts, and theories of racism and ethnic identity construction will be explored.

**SOCI-3270 Social Stratification**  
(3 credits) (Discretion of Department)  
Social Stratification (3) (D) Stratification systems as they have developed in complex societies. Consequences of structural inequality with an emphasis on power, property, and prestige.

**SOCI-3305 Population & Society**  
(3 credits) (Discretion of Department)  
Population & Society (3) (D) This course is the study of the role of fertility, mortality, migration, and population characteristics that determine world population growth with special emphasis on the United States. (GP)  
**General Education Categories:** Global Perspective

**SOCI-3770 Pilot Test**  
(3 credits) (Discretion of Department)  
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**SOCI-4175 Seminar in Social Research I**  
(3 credits) (Discretion of Department)  
Seminar in Social Research I (3) (D) This course will provide students in the social sciences the opportunity to conduct original research in their chosen field of study. (SM).

**Prerequisite(s):** SOCI-3155.

**General Education Categories:** Scientific Method

**SOCI-4176 Seminar in Social Research 2**  
(3 credits) (Discretion of Department)  
Seminar in Social Research 2 (3) (D) This course is a second semester of SOCI-4175.

**Prerequisite(s):** SOCI-4175.

**SOCI-4305 Urban Sociology**  
(3 credits) (Discretion of Department)  
Urban Sociology (3) (D) This course explores the development of the city as a complex form of the human community. History and growth of urbanism in industrial societies and developing nations is studied as is urban change and the problem of planning.

**SOCI-4770 Pilot Test**  
(3 credits) (Discretion of Department)  
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**SOCI-4790 Sociology Internship**  
(1 credit) (Both Fall & Spring Semesters)  
Internship in Sociology Practical experience and instruction as to the psycho-social processes and behavioral patterns within various field agencies relevant to students' interests in corrections, gerontology, research and planning, and other settings. Up to four credit hours will be applied toward graduation. One academic credit will encompass 50 hours of work in the field. While internships are strongly recommended, students should consult with the department chair to determine appropriateness.

**Prerequisite(s):** Junior standing.