

Anthropology (ANTH)

ANTH A101 Primates, People and Prehistory. (3) An exploration of human origins, human evolution, human prehistory, and cultural existence from its less complex forms to early civilizations. An introduction to the concepts; methods; and data of physical, biological, and archaeological anthropology. (Not open to anyone who has taken ANTH A101 before September 1976)

ANTH A102 Understanding Other Cultures. (3) An exploration and comparison of selected contemporary cultures, including their languages, to determine and explain their similarities and differences. An introduction to the concepts, methods, and data of socio-cultural anthropology and anthropological linguistics. (Not open to anyone who has taken ANTH A101 before September 1976) (Satisfies non-Western world studies requirement)

ANTH A352 Anthropology of Magic and Religion. (3) A comparative examination of the religions of various cultures and of other related phenomena such as ritual, cosmology, revitalization movements, magic, witchcraft, myth, and possession. This course satisfies the non-Western world studies requirement.

ANTH A361 Sex, Evolution, and Human Nature. (3) An exploration of human sexuality and reproductive behavior from anthropological and evolutionary perspectives. Cross-culturally examined topics include dating/mating strategies, cooperation, violence, parenting, and parent-offspring conflicts.

ANTH A399 Independent Study. (1-6) (Prereq: permission of instructor) Directed independent project.

ANTH A410 Food, People, and the Planet. (3). This course consider the importance of food in various cultures through time, emphasizing how it is produced, where it comes from, and how it impacts our bodies, beliefs, and environments.

ANTH A460 Culture, Health and Healing. (3). As an examination of the field of medical anthropology, this course is a cross-cultural exploration of the various responses human groups have developed to cope with disease and illness events. Topics include ethnomedical systems, paleopathology, patients, healers, reproduction, mental health, poverty, and infectious diseases.

ANTH A490 Topics in Anthropology. (3) This course will use Non-Western, comparative material to address topics of interest in anthropology. It may be taken more than once as topics change. (Satisfies non-Western world studies requirement)

Criminal Justice (CRJU)

CRJU A171 Introduction to Criminal Justice. (3) Survey of the law enforcement, judicial, correctional, and juvenile systems in the United States. Emphasis on the various perspectives on criminal justice and current issues.

CRJU A272 Criminal Law. (3) The origins and development of criminal law in the United States and the basic elements of crimes and defenses.

Geography (GEOG)

GEOG A101 World Regional Geography (Western). (3) A survey of the world regions where Western cultures and cultural heritages are predominant. These include Europe, Russia, Austral Asia, and the Americas. Emphasis is on the fundamental characteristics and significance of the physical, cultural, and economic elements of these regions.

GEOG A102 World Regional Geography (Non-Western). (3) A survey of the world regions where non-Western cultures or cultural heritages are predominant. These include Asia and Africa. Emphasis is on the fundamental characteristics and significance of the physical, cultural, and economic elements of these regions. (GEOG 101 is not a prerequisite) (Satisfies non-Western world studies requirement)

GEOG A103 Introduction to Geography. (3) A survey of the principles and methods of geographic inquiry. The student is introduced to the nature of geography, the kinds of problems which it investigates and the methods which it uses in the study of man in his ecological and spatial behavior.

GEOG A198 Topics in Geography (Non-Western). (3) The introductory-level geography topic courses (non-western) vary in content. The chosen topic is generally in the faculty member's specialty area. Content of each topic course will revolve around a set of issues designed to provide the students a well-rounded and holistic introduction to the concerned topic.

GEOG A199 Topics in Geography. (3) The introductory-level geography topic courses vary in content. The chosen topic is generally in the faculty member's specialty area. Content of each topic course will revolve around a set of issues designed to provide the students a well-rounded and holistic introduction to the concerned topic.

GEOG A398 Topics in Geography. (3) Topics in Geography will be offered as opportunities present themselves. Course content varies and will be announced in the schedule of classes by suffix and title. Prerequisites will be designated in course schedule. May be repeated as topics change.

GEOG A399 Independent Study. (1-4) (Prereq: permission of instructor) Directed independent project.

Sociology (SOCY)

Sociology courses at the 400 and 500 levels are advanced undergraduate courses and are designed for juniors and seniors (at least 60 hours of earned coursework.) Courses at the 500-level are delivered through a seminar format.

SOCY A101 Introductory Sociology. (3) General introduction to the field of sociology including the theoretical approaches, research methods and concepts such as culture, social structure, socialization, groups, organizations, social institutions, and social inequality. The “sociological imagination” will be used to apply these theories and ideas to everyday life.

SOCY A240 Introduction to Social Problems. (3) (Prereq: Grade of C or better in SOCY A101 or permission of instructor) Normative dissensus and behavioral deviance in society and their consequences for social change and social order. Problems may include: mental disorders, juvenile delinquency, crime, drug abuse, alcoholism, suicide, sexual pathology, race and ethnic relationships, world population crises, and work problems.

SOCY A248 Sociological Inquiry and Measurement. (4) (Prereq: Grade of C or better in SOCY A101, AEGL A101 and A102) Basic concepts and methods of sociological research are introduced. Emphasis is placed on the connection between theory and research, measuring variables, and elementary analysis of data. Course is intended for sociology majors and minors. Cannot be used for social and behavioral science general education credit.

SOCY A301 Sociology of Gender Roles. (3) (Prereq: Grade of C or better in SOCY A101) Theories, methods, and substantive issues in a sociological approach to gender roles. Topics include gender role and socialization, subcultural variations in gender roles, and structural and institutional factors related to gender role expectation.

SOCY A305 Sociology of the Family. (3) (Prereq: Grade of C or better in SOCY A101) A macro-level study of the family in the United States. Topics may include history of the family as an institution, the relationship of the family to other social institutions including politics and the economy, and social problems related to the contemporary family.

SOCY A341 Sociology of Death and Dying. (3). (Pre-req: Grade of C or better in SOCY A101). A sociological approach to understanding death and the end of life. Course topics include social theory, cultural/religious practices, organ donation, bereavement, and businesses (e.g., medical and funeral industries) associated with death and dying.

SOCY A350 Sociology of Delinquent Youth Behavior. (3) (Prereq: Grade of C or better in SOCY A101) An analysis of the philosophy, history, theories, and social patterns surrounding delinquent youth behavior from a sociological perspective as well as an evaluation of the methods and policies designed to prevent and control delinquency.

SOCY A351 Urban Sociology. (3) (Prereq: Grade of C or better in SOCY A101) Introduction to the field of urban sociology. An analysis of the characteristics and functions of cities throughout history, urbanization in the United States, urban politics and economics, urban lifestyles,

suburban trends, metropolitan problems, urban planning programs, and urbanization in other countries.

SOCY A353 Sociology of Crime. (3) (Prereq: Grade of C or better in SOCY A101) Analysis of the definitions, measurements, and social patterns surrounding criminal behavior from a sociological perspective. Classical and contemporary theories of crime causation and societal responses to crime, offenders, and victims.

SOCY A354 Crime: Myths and Misconceptions. (3) (Prereq: Grade of C or better in SOCY A101) Various myths and misconceptions surrounding crime and the criminal justice system, including the mythmakers, beneficiaries, and victims, are identified and critically examined as well as the functions and consequences of those myths and misconceptions.

SOCY A355 Minority Group Relations. (3) (Prereq: Grade of C or better in SOCY A101) Theories, methods, and substantive issues in the study of majority-minority group relations and social processes and cultural orientations associated with racial and ethnic differentiation.

SOCY A356 Sociology of Law. (3) (Pre-req: Grade of C or better in SOCY A101) Analysis of law as a social institution from sociohistorical and sociocultural perspectives. Emphasis is placed on history, theories, and theologies of law as well as the relationship between the law, social change, and social problems.

SOCY A358 Sociology of Corrections. (3) (Prereq: Grade of C or better in SOCY A101) A sociological approach to the development and current issues in corrections. Traditional and contemporary philosophies underlying practices and procedures in institutional and community corrections are explored.

SOCY A359 Police in Society. (3) (Prereq: Grade of C or better in SOCY A101 and CRJU A171) An overview of the development of police organizations and the role of police in society including police officer socialization, the problem of coercive power, and current issues in policing.

SOCY A360 Sociology of Medicine and Health. (3) (Prereq: Grade of C or better in ASCY A101) Sociological approaches to medicine and health. An examination of the concepts of health and illness, the social epidemiology of disease, demographic and social factors affecting health, illness behavior, non-traditional medicine and healers, doctorpatient relations, the professionalization of medicine, and social policy affecting health care.

SOCY A370 Sociology of Mental Health. (3) (Prereq: Grade of C or better in SOCY A101) Sociological approaches to the definition and treatment of mental disorders. An analysis of mental illness throughout history, public and professional conceptions of mental disorders, models of causes and cures, demographic factors in the distribution of mental disorders, labeling theory and psychiatry, the personal experience of mental hospitalization, and the community mental health movement.

SOCY A390 Special Topics. (3) (Prereq: Grade of C or better in SOCY A101) Study of selected topics in Sociology. This course may be repeated with different topics.

SOCY A399 Independent Study. (1-6) (Prereq: permission of instructor) Directed independent project.

SOCY A400 Internship. (3) (Prereq: consent of instructor) A supervised experiential course in a field placement (e.g., social service agency, criminal justice agency) involving 10 hours per week. In addition, appropriate reading and writing assignments, plus a weekly meeting with the supervising faculty member. (An application and interview are required of applicants. Applicants must meet basic requirements of cum. GPA, major hours completed, etc. Contract required. See instructor for specifics)

SOCY A404 Social Stratification. (3) (Prereq: Grade of C or better in SOCY A101) Theory and research related to social stratification. An analysis of stratification systems throughout history; the dimensions of class, race, and gender inequality in the United States; lifestyles of different classes; social mobility; and the causes of poverty. Students who earned credit for SOCY A504 may not receive credit for SOCY A404.

SOCY A405 Drugs and Society. (3) (Prereq: Grade of C or better in SOCY A101) Sociohistorical overview of drug use and abuse in the U.S. centered on the recreational use of legal and illegal psychoactive substances. Topics include: theories of drug abuse, drug policy, subcultures, trends and demographics of use, and treatment options.

SOCY A410 Social Demography. (4) (Prereq: Grade of C or better in SOCY A248 and satisfactory completion of the Writing Proficiency Portfolio Requirement or ENGL A201) Study of the major theories and methods used to study population with regard to fertility, mortality, and migration and the trends in these processes. The course will also examine the interactions among population processes, society and culture, and the physical environment. Three lecture hours and three lab hours per week. (Satisfies non-Western world studies requirement) Students who earned credit for SOCY A310 may not receive credit for SOCY A410.

SOCY A420 Individual and Society. (3) (Prereq: Grade of C or better in SOCY A101) Selected theories and methodology related to the impact of social influence on the individual. This micro-level approach to sociology includes topics such as symbolic communication, attribution theory, self-fulfilling prophecy, conformity, aggression, and altruism. Students who earned credit for SOCY A320 may not receive credit for SOCY A420.

SOCY A430 Youth and Society. (3). (Pre-reqs: Grade of C or better in SOCY A101). A sociological approach to adolescence and youth in everyday life by exploring central themes featured in youth culture, including status and conformity, education, mental health, and social problems related to at-risk behaviors.

SOCY A468 Sex and Society. (3) (Prereq: Grade of C or better in SOCY A101) A sociological approach to sexuality, exploring how sexuality is constructed and examining theories, concepts, and cultural ramifications of a range of sexual practices and identities. Topics include sex education, sexual orientation, transgender issues, sex in non-romantic relationships, gender double standards, sex work, and sexual violence.

SOCY A490 Topics in Sociology. (3) (Prereq: SOCY A101 and/ or additional specified prerequisites) Study of selected topics in Sociology. This course may be repeated with different topics.

SOCY A496 Sociological Theory. (3) (Prereq: Grade of C or better in SOCY A101) Sociological perspectives with an emphasis on classical theories, such as those of Durkheim, Weber, Marx, and Simmel, are used to understand and critique society and human social behavior.

SOCY A497 Sociological Research Methods. (4) (Prereq: Grade of C or better in SOCY A101 and nine hours upper level Sociology and PSYC A325, and satisfactory completion of Writing Proficiency Portfolio Requirement or ENGL A201) Critical analysis of major methods used in the conduct of social science and general problems of research design. Course requires completion of scholarly research project.

SOCY A498 Sociological Research Design and Analysis. (4) (Prereq: Grade of C or better in SOCY A248, six hours upper-level Sociology, PSYC A325 or STAT A201, and satisfactory completion of Writing Proficiency Portfolio Requirement or ENGL A201) In-depth consideration of research designs and data analysis. Requires completion of an original research project.

SOCY A510 Global Social Issues. (3) (Prereq: Grade of C or better in SOCY A101, Junior Standing) This seminar examines causes of and responses to critical social problems in different world regions with a focus on the dimensions and impacts of globalization and sustainable development. The phenomenon of globalization is critically examined from economic, historical, social, environmental, political, and/or other perspectives.

SOCY A523 Sociology of Deviance. (3) (Prereq: Grade of C or better in SOCY A101) Systematic analysis of the interrelationships among the creation, involvement, recognition, and control of deviance.

SOCY A525 Race, Class, Gender, Crime and Justice. (3) (Prereq: Grades of C or better in SOCY 101 and CRJU A171, SOCY A350 or SOCY A353) Exploration into the various perspectives on the nature and intersections of race, class, and gender in relation to crime and justice in the U.S.

SOCY A528 Family Diversity. (3) (Prereq: Grade of C or better in SOCY A305, Junior or Senior standing) This seminar examines a variety of family forms differing in both structure and sociocultural background. Topics may include cohabitation, single parent families, and various ethnic groups. This course considers issues faced by the plurality of family types in the United States.

SOCY A535 Girls' Delinquency. (3) (Pre-req: Grade of C or better in SOCY A101 and Junior or Senior standing.) Course explores the study of girls' experiences with delinquency, violence, and the juvenile justice system. The course will also examine the intersection of race and class as it relates to girls' involvement with juvenile delinquency.

SOCY A540 Criminological Theory. (3) (Prereq: Grade of C or better in SOCY A350 or A353)
The study of historical and contemporary theories explaining crime and criminality. Some examination of research underlying these theories is also included.

SOCY A598 Special Topics. (3)

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