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Sociology is the study of human behavior in society focusing on the study of systems, and how individuals live, work, and interact within them.

**SOC 300 Introductory Sociology 3 Units**

*Advisory: ENGWR 102 or 103, and ENGRD 116 with a grade of "C" or better; OR ESLR 320 and ESLW 320 with a grade of "C" or better; OR placement through assessment process.*

*General Education: AA/AS Area V(b); CSU Area D0; IGETC Area 4J; TCSU SOC 110*

*Course Transferable to UC/CSU*

*Hours: 54 hours LEC*

This course examines society in terms of the interactions of groups and cultures. Involves a consideration of family, government, education, and religion as basic American institutions. Emphasis on scientific method of approach.

**SOC 301 Social Problems 3 Units**

*Advisory: ENGWR 102 or 103, and ENGRD 116 with a grade of "C" or better; OR ESLR 320 and ESLW 320 with a grade of "C" or better; OR placement through assessment process.*

*General Education: AA/AS Area V(b); CSU Area D0; IGETC Area 4J; TCSU SOC 120*

*Course Transferable to UC/CSU*

*Hours: 54 hours LEC*

This is a survey of social problems of present day American culture including a study of their causes and an evaluation of proposed solutions and methods of treatment. Attention is directed to unemployment, poverty, physical, and mental disease, delinquency, crime and related problems.

**SOC 315 Introduction to Corrections 3 Units**

*Prerequisite: PSYC 300.*

*Course Transferable to CSU*

*Hours: 54 hours LEC*

This course covers the development, function and administration of federal, state, county and city law enforcement institutions. Causes and impact of crime and delinquency upon society. Treatment programs at local, state and federal correctional institutions, adult and juvenile, including probation and parole. Lectures, field trips, interviews and report writing.

**SOC 320 Minorities in America 3 Units**

*Advisory: ENGWR 102 or 103, and ENGRD 116 with a grade of "C" or better; OR ESLR 320 and ESLW 320 with a grade of "C" or better; OR placement through assessment process.*

*General Education: AA/AS Area V(b); AA/AS Area VI; CSU Area D0; IGETC Area 4C; IGETC Area 4J*

*Course Transferable to UC/CSU*

*Hours: 54 hours LEC*

This course examines patterns of racial and ethnic group relations in the United States of America. The course employs basic sociological approaches to the study of race and ethnicity, with an emphasis on a comparative analysis of historical, social, and economic factors affecting intergroup and intragroup dynamics. The topics include prejudice, discrimination, racism, racial and ethnic stratification, assimilation patterns among groups, demographic shifts, civil rights and other related topics.

**SOC 325 Chicano Culture 3 Units**

*Advisory: ENGWR 102 or 103, and ENGRD 116 with a grade of "C" or better; OR ESLR 320 and ESLW 320 with a grade of "C" or better; OR placement through assessment process.*

*General Education: AA/AS Area V(b); CSU Area D0; IGETC Area 4J*

*Course Transferable to UC/CSU*

*Hours: 54 hours LEC*

This course examines the individual Chicano(a) and their culture pattern within the United States; the acquisition of their culture, innovation, adaptation and direction of their cultural development.

**SOC 335 Sociology of Aging 3 Units**

*Same As: GERON 300*

*Advisory: ENGWR 102 or 103, and ENGRD 116 with a grade of "C" or better; OR ESLR 320 and ESLW 320 with a grade of "C" or better; OR placement through assessment process.*

*General Education: AA/AS Area III(b); CSU Area E1*

*Course Transferable to UC/CSU*

*Hours: 54 hours LEC*

This course examines the aged and aging process with emphasis on social factors affecting and affected by an aging population. It includes an analysis of demographics, history of aging in America, social conditions, resources and support systems, employment, retirement, social class/cultural differences. Not open to students who have completed GERON 300.

**SOC 342 Women in American Culture 3 Units**

*Advisory: ENGWR 102 or 103, and ENGRD 116 with a grade of "C" or better; OR ESLR 320 and ESLW 320 with a grade of "C" or better; OR placement through assessment process.*

*General Education: AA/AS Area V(b); AA/AS Area VI; CSU Area D0; IGETC Area 4J*

*Course Transferable to UC/CSU*

*Hours: 54 hours LEC*

This course is an examination of Native American, Anglo American, African American, Hispanic American, and Asian American women's roles in American society within a historical and cross-cultural perspective. The focus of this course is an analysis and discussion of gender relations in the home, family, the work place, and the treatment of women in the mass media and in the health care system.

**SOC 350 Sociology of Popular Culture 3 Units**

*General Education: AA/AS Area V(b); CSU Area D0; IGETC Area 4J*

*Course Transferable to UC/CSU*

*Hours: 54 hours LEC*

This course analyzes the historical development and emergence of American popular culture and the relationship between contemporary popular culture, social institutions and collective behavior. Further, it considers popular culture within the context of social, political, and economic changes in the United States and includes an analysis of theories of popular culture, hegemony, advertising, music, and film.