

MA IN SOCIOLOGY COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

SOC 525 FUNDAMENTALS OF SOCIOLOGY (3)

Introduction to central concepts, methods, and professional practices in sociology; development of basic skills used in theoretical and empirical work; and orientation to the discipline and this Department of Sociology.

SOC 530 TOPICAL SEMINAR (3)

An analysis of contemporary sociological issues affecting individuals and groups in a rapidly changing society.

SOC 532 SOCIOLOGY OF RELIGION (3)

Examination of social dimensions of religion, the relationship between religion and society, sociological theories of religion, religious organizations and behavior, religion and social change, secularization and the future of religion.

SOC 539 SEMINAR IN URBAN SOCIOLOGY (3)

Social and demographic characterization and organization of urban communities with emphasis on techniques of identifying structures, institutions, systems and leadership.

SOC 545 SOCIOLOGY OF THE FAMILY (3)

Key concepts and processes of family sociology with application to sexuality, partner selection, transition to parenthood, parenting and children, housework and paid work, domestic violence and child abuse, divorce and marriage, grandparenting, care giving, and alternative families.

SOC 554 ADVANCED SOCIOLOGICAL STATISTICS (3)

Advanced statistical methods with emphasis on multiple regression techniques.
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SOC 557 ADVANCED SOCIOLOGICAL THEORY (3)

Examination of the major theoretical orientations in sociology, with special attention given to the early history of conflict theory, functionalism, and symbolic interaction.

SOC 559 URBAN RESEARCH METHODS (3)

Examination of urban indicators, research design, and field problems in urban research.

SOC 623 SEMINAR IN SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGY (3)

Examination of selected social psychological theories and their current role and status.

SOC 632 BLACK SOCIOLOGY (3)

Examination of African and African American contributions to the development of social scientific knowledge.

SOC 634 CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND THE URBAN COMMUNITY (3)

Critical analysis of the subsystems of the criminal justice system and their impact on the urban community.

SOC 639 SEMINAR IN URBAN POLITICAL SOCIOLOGY (3)

The application of sociological theory and analysis to political processes and systems in urban settings.

SOC 655A INTERNSHIP (3)

Supervised work and instruction in formal organizations relevant to the student's area of specialization. **Must take parts A and B for credit.**

SOC 655B INTERNSHIP (3)

Supervised work and instruction in formal organizations relevant to the student's area of specialization. **Must complete parts A and B for credit**

SOC 710 SEMINAR IN SOCIAL STRATIFICATION (3)

Theoretical analysis of how social class, status, and power shape social relations, determine life chances, and affect attitudes, opinions, and political choices of individuals and groups, all of which perpetuate systems of class, gender, and race inequality, and degree of social mobility in societies.

SOC 715 SOCIOLOGY OF LEARNING (3)

Examination of schools and classrooms as social environments and socio-cultural principles for desired teaching strategies and learning.

SOC 720 SEMINAR IN CLINICAL SOCIOLOGY (3)

Presentation and analysis of the creation of sociological knowledge and the clinical

application of that knowledge to various settings of group life.

SOC 739 SEMINAR IN PUBLIC AND SOCIAL POLICY (3)

Policy analysis, design and implementation issues related.

SOC 750 RACE and ETHNICITY (3)

Analysis of social factors affecting racial and ethnic groups.

SOC 820 FAMILY THERAPY AND FAMILY RELATIONS (3)

Analysis of various issues in family relations and of the various therapeutic approaches in marital and family therapy.

SOC 840 SEMINAR IN GERONTOLOGY (3)

Examination of sociological theories and analyses relevant to various socio-cultural components of aging.

SOC 857 ADVANCED SOCIOLOGICAL THEORY (3)

Advanced analysis of recent developments in sociological theory, including the relationship of theory to empirical research.

SOC 859 ADVANCED PROJECT DESIGN (3)

Research and project problem definition, research and project design.

SOC 880 SOCIOLOGY OF HEALTH AND MEDICINE (3)

The analysis of present and emerging sociological conceptualizations designed to understand the development, functions, organization and processes involved in contemporary systems of health and medicine.

SOC 893 ENVIRONMENTAL SOCIOLOGY (3)

Critical analysis of the relationships between various modes and patterns of social organization and man environment relations.

SOC 896 INDUSTRIAL SOCIOLOGY (3)

Planning, organizational, and infrastructural development for effective analysis of industrial planning, organizational and infrastructural development at the macro level and application and application of sociological principles of resource acquisition, processing, and product distribution.

SOC 899A THESIS I (3)

Project development, data collection and analysis.

SOC 899B THESIS II (3)

Project development, data collection and analysis.

SOC 930 SOCIOLOGY OF EDUCATION (3)

Mainstream and critical theories of how society shapes the purposes, processes, and organization of

schools; current policy issues and sources of national education data, with primary focus on United

States elementary, secondary schools, and post- secondary schools.

SOC 950 SEMINAR IN SOCIO THERAPY AND PSYCHOTHERAPY (3)

Examination of the social system approaches and the implications for diagnosis, therapeutic

intervention and change.

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