Courses in Sociology

A Soc 115
Introduction to Sociology (3)
This course offered online through the Blackboard Learning System. Nature of culture and of human society, personality development, groups and group structure, social institutions, the processes of social change. A Soc 115Z is the writing intensive version of A Soc 115; only one may be taken for credit.
(1980) Li, Muyang
4 Week 2: June 26-July 21
Online class in Blackboard
(1980) Wynn, Colleen
4 Week 3: July 24-August 18
Online class in Blackboard

A Soc 180
Social Problems (3)
This course offered online through the Blackboard Learning System. Applies the concepts, methods, and ethics of sociology to the analysis of "social problems." A SOC 180Z is the writing intensive version of A SOC 180; only one may be taken for credit.
(2407) Luo, Zhifan
4 Week 1: May 30-June 23
Online class in Blackboard

A Soc 203
Criminology (3)
This course offered online through the Blackboard Learning System. Introduction to the study of crime, including the development of criminal law, the relationship between crime and social structure, and the individual and social causes of crime. Only one of A SOC 203; A SOC 381; R CRJ 200 or R CRJ 203 can be taken for credit. Prerequisite(s): A SOC115.
(2408) Barton, Michelle
6 Week 2: June 26-August 4
Online class in Blackboard

A Soc 220
Introduction to Social Research (3)
Examination of the assumptions and techniques of social research: problems of design, data collection, quantitative and qualitative analysis; review of current research in professional journals; the uses of survey research; application of concepts through individual and class projects. For Sociology majors and intended majors, A Soc 220 is restricted to A-E grading after matriculation at Albany. Prerequisite(s): A Soc 115.
(2161) Sullivan, Rachel
6 Week 2: June 26-August 4
MTWThF 9:30a.m.-10:50a.m.
BB-141

A Soc 235
Sociological Theory (3)
This course offered online through the Blackboard Learning System. Overview of major schools of theory influencing current sociological inquiry. Discussion of selected works of classical and contemporary theorists. The influence of values on theorizing and the issue of value neutrality. An evaluation of the role of theory in the growth of the discipline. For Sociology majors and intended majors, A Soc 235 is restricted to A-E grading after matriculation at Albany. Prerequisite(s): A Soc 115 or 115Z.
A Soc 250
Sociology of Families (3)
This course offered online through the Blackboard Learning System. This course provides a broad overview of the sociology of families, starting with the variety of ways we define and study families. Topics include the history of families in the U.S.; how families are formed and how members perform economic roles and care for each other; how issues of gender, race, class, and sexuality influence family relationships and the connections between families and the larger society; how family members are affected when marriages or relationships end; family violence; and aging and kin networks. Prerequisite(s): A Soc 115 or 115Z.

A Soc 262
Sociology of Gender (3)
This course examines how gender is socially constructed in contemporary U.S. society. The course examines how gender orders our everyday lives, our sense of self, our friendships, romances, conversations, clothing, body image, entertainment, work, sexuality, and parenthood. Students will learn how conceptions about gender create and enforce a system of gender difference and inequality. This course will examine the lives, experiences, and representations of heterosexual and lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgendered and queer (LGBTQ) persons. The course will reveal the “common sense” world of gender that surrounds us by exposing the workings of institutions such as the family, the classroom, the workplace, and the media. Throughout the course we will emphasize the ways in which people experience gender opportunities and constraints differently according to their race, gender, class, and sexuality. Only one version of A SOC 262 may be taken for credit. Prerequisite(s): A Soc 115 or permission of instructor.

A Soc 283
Juvenile Delinquency (3)
This course offered online through the Blackboard Learning System. The purpose of this course is to examine the unique aspects of the juvenile justice system and theoretical explanations of delinquent behavior. The course is divided into three sections: 1) conceptual and methodological issues in the study of delinquency; 2) explanations of delinquent behavior; 3) the control of delinquency. Prerequisite(s): A Soc 115Z.

A Soc 341
Social Inequality (3)
Diverse forms of inequality in human society; causes and consequences of inequality; sociological approaches to the study of inequality. Prerequisite(s): A Soc 115Z.
A Soc 359
Medical Sociology (3)
*This course offered online through the Blackboard Learning System.* Comprehensive introduction to sociological factors in disease etiology and illness behavior and to the sociology of the organization of medical practice and the health professions. A Soc 359Z is the writing intensive version of A Soc 359 and A Soc 359W is the writing intensive and oral discourse version of A Soc 359; only one of A Soc 359, A Soc 359Z, and A Soc 359W may be taken for credit. Prerequisite(s): A Soc 115 or 115Z.

(1986) Hamer-Small, Kaya
4 Week 1: May 30-June 23
*Online class in Blackboard*

A Soc 362
Sociology of Sexualities (3)
*This course offered online through the Blackboard Learning System.* This course reviews the core of the sociology of sexuality from a sociohistorical perspective. Among the topics to be discussed are the theoretical approaches to sexuality, the making of sexual identities, the relationship between sexuality and social institutions, and sexual politics and ethics. Prerequisite(s): A Soc 115 or 115Z.

(2446) Pain, Emily
4 Week 2: June 26-July 21
*Online class in Blackboard*

A Soc 373
Community and Urban Sociology (3)
*This course offered online through the Blackboard Learning System.* Approaches to the study of community and urban form and process. The city as a coercive product and as a social artifact. The impact of urbanization and other changes on the physical and social structure of communities. The impact of the urban setting upon social institutions, city, metropolis, and megalopolis, the future of cities. Prerequisite(s): A Soc 115Z.

(2411) Chung, Angie
6 Week 1: May 30-July 7
*Online class in Blackboard*

A Soc 389
Sociology of Holocaust (3)
*This course offered online through the Blackboard Learning System.* This course is an overview of the sociological literature on the Holocaust, specifically, and genocide, more generally. Students will learn more about the social causes and effects of genocide through a focus on the Holocaust. We will begin with the basic history of the Holocaust and discuss why sociology, as a discipline, should be interested in its study. Then we will cover major sociological explanations of different aspects of the Holocaust, including: the behavior of perpetrators and victims; class based, political, and cultural/ideological explanations of the events of the Holocaust; the Holocaust in international perspective; racism and nationalism and the crises of states in formation; and finally, the long term effects and reactions to the historical fact or experience of the Holocaust. Prerequisite(s): A Soc 115.

(2165) Mitchell, Lacy
4 Week 1: May 30-June 23
*Online class in Blackboard*

A Soc 460W
Status, Expectations and Behavior (3)
In this course we will investigate several of the basic social processes that occur in interpersonal behavior. Most of our attention will be devoted to issues of power and prestige, status, self-evaluation, justice, deviance, and sentiment. In each case we will review research relevant to the issue, develop theoretical arguments to explain that research, and consider ways of applying those arguments to the analysis and solution of social problems (for example, the problems that arise from gender-based status inequalities).
Wagner, David
4 Week 1: May 30-June 23
MTWThF 12:30p.m.-2:50p.m.
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