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101. Introductory Sociology. Credit 3 hours. A study of culture, social organization, and social relations.

212. Social Problems. Credit 3 hours. Prerequisite: Sociology 101. An examination of the major social problems in society with an emphasis on how these problems are interrelated and the role of society in their creation and perpetuation.

232. Introduction to Social Statistics with Computer Applications. Credit 4 hours. Prerequisite: Six hours of mathematics, to include Mathematics 161. Elementary descriptive and inferential statistics as applied to social science problems; micro-computer applications. Three hours of lecture and two hours of laboratory per week.

241. Comparative Family Patterns. Credit 3 hours. Prerequisite: Sophomore standing. Also taught as Anthropology 241. A comparison of selected family patterns in various cultures. Attention given to role performance in each society and comparison of norms, values and attitudes related specifically to the family. Credit is not to be given for both Anthropology 241 and Sociology 241.

300. Medical Sociology. Credit 3 hours. Prerequisite: Sociology 101 or consent of instructor. This course examines the health care system and experience of health and illness in American society from a sociological perspective.

321. Marriage and Family Life. Credit 3 hours. Prerequisite: None. A functional study of courtship, mate selection, preparation for marriage, marriage adjustment, discord, and parenthood. Credit cannot be given for both Social Work 321 and Sociology 321.

331. Sociology of Religion. Credit 3 hours. Prerequisite: Junior standing. An examination of the relationships between society, culture, and religion with special emphasis on American society. The interaction of religious values, activities and organizations is considered with attention to the social sources of denominationalism.

343. Law and Society. Credit 3 hours. Prerequisites: Sociology 101 or Criminal Justice 101. The course examines the social, economic, and political conditions under which laws are created, interpreted, and enforced; the social organization of law; and the legal profession. Credit cannot be given for both Criminal Justice 343 and Sociology 343.

400/500. Independent Study. Credit 1-3 hours. Prerequisite: Permission of the instructor and the Department Head and Junior standing. Student works with an instructor on a one-to-one basis

and prepares a research report on an appropriate topic. May be repeated in one to three hour credits for a total of 6 hours. New materials are investigated in each repeat.

401/501 [401UG]. Population. Credit 3 hours. Prerequisite: Junior standing. A study of the trends in population growth and factors affecting size and the composition of population.

411/511 [411UG]. Race and Ethnic Relations. Credit 3 hours. Prerequisite: Junior standing. Also taught as Anthropology 411. Designed to give an insight into the attitudes of groups, particularly racial groups where interrelations are marked by antagonism, discrimination, and conflict. Influence on community welfare considered. Credit is not to be given for both Anthropology 411 and Sociology 411/511.

412/512 [412UG]. Criminology. Credit 3 hours. Prerequisite: Junior standing. Also offered as Criminal Justice 412/ 512. A study of the incidence, nature, factors influencing, and social treatment of crime. May not be used for credit with Criminal Justice 412/512.

430/530 [430UG]. The Development of Social Theory. Credit 3 hours. Prerequisites: Sociology 101 and Junior standing. An introduction to the field of social theory and the relation of social thought to the history of sociology.

440/540. Juvenile Delinquency. Credit 3 hours. Prerequisite: Junior standing. Also offered as Criminal Justice 440/540. A scientific study of the nature, extent and causes of delinquency. Methods of prevention, treatment, and correction will be analyzed. Designed especially for teachers, social workers, police, and correctional workers. May not be used for credit with Criminal Justice 440/540.

451/551 [451UG]. Methods of Social Research. Credit 3 hours. Prerequisite: Junior standing. Philosophy, methods, and techniques, including research design; methods of observation and other sources of social data, analysis, inference and research report writing.

453. Applied Social Research Methods: Practice Effectiveness and Program Evaluation. Credit 3 hours. Prerequisite: Mathematics 161 and Mathematics 162 or 163 or 223, and Sociology 232. Ethics, logic, methods and data analytic techniques of human service practice assessment and program evaluation.

471/571 [471UG]. Advanced Sociology. Credit 3 hours. Prerequisite: Junior standing. A review of the basic concepts, theories, and methods in sociology; subsequently, an analysis of topics of contemporary relevance to sociology.

495/595. Special Topics Seminar. Credit 3 hours. Prerequisites: Sociology 101, Junior standing and consent of instructor. Studies in defined topical areas such as mass media and society; sociology of cyberspace; social change and development; structure of the new world order, etc.

May be repeated for a total of six hours credit.

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