### SOCIOLOGY (SOC)

#### SOC 101 - Introduction to Sociology
**Credit Hours:** 3, **Contact Hours:** 3  
**Division:** Social Science  
This course is an introduction to the study of human group behavior through social interaction with special emphasis on culture, the socialization process, social stratification, collective behavior, social institutions, and social change. Group 1 course. Communications - Direct, Critical Thinking - Direct, Degree Req:Cultural Persp/Div, Infused: Writing Intensive.  
Recommended Prerequisite(s): Placement into ENG 111/11

#### SOC 201 - Modern Social Problems
**Credit Hours:** 3, **Contact Hours:** 3  
**Division:** Social Science  
This course presents an introductory sociological analysis of causes, changes in, and attempts to effectively treat some of the major problems in contemporary American society. These include: hunger, environmental problems, poverty, crime and delinquency, family problems, and homelessness. Service Learning projects are encouraged. Group 1 course. Communications - Direct, Critical Thinking - Direct, Degree Req:Cultural Persp/Div, Infused: Writing Intensive.  
Recommended Prerequisite(s): Placement into ENG 111/11

#### SOC 211 - Marriage and the Family
**Credit Hours:** 3, **Contact Hours:** 3  
**Division:** Social Science  
This course covers topics such as diverse forms of families, ethnic diversity in family patterns, and contemporary issues families face. It includes attraction and partner selection, love, intimacy and sexuality, marriage, parenting and family problems. At the macro level, it emphasizes the structure of family as a social institution and its connections with other institutions in society including government and the economy. Issues of gender and inequality within families are also covered. Group 1 course. Students will analyze evidence and data sources, read and interpret charts and graphs and write extensively on these. Placement in MTH 100 and ENG 111. Honors projects are also available. Communications - Direct, Critical Thinking - Direct, Degree Req:Cultural Persp/Div, Infused: Writing Intensive.  
Recommended Prerequisite(s): SOC 101 strongly recommended, Students need college-ready study, reading and writing skills for this course

#### SOC 220 - Gender and Society
**Credit Hours:** 3, **Contact Hours:** 3  
**Division:** Social Science  
This course examines gender as a system of stratification. It approaches issues of gender in society from both a social, structural, and a social psychological perspective. Issues related to gender inequality in selected institutions such as economy, family, media, education, and politics are studied. Group 1 course. Communications - Direct, Critical Thinking - Direct, Degree Req:Cultural Persp/Div, Infused: Writing Intensive.  
Recommended Prerequisite(s): PSY 101 or SOC 101, and placement into ENG 111/11

#### SOC 231 - Deviance and Criminal Behavior
**Credit Hours:** 3, **Contact Hours:** 3  
**Division:** Social Science  
This course is an introduction to the study of deviance and deviant behavior. The sociological study of deviance refers to the analysis of any behavior that violates social norms. This course will examine and analyze instances of non-criminal and criminal deviance and social responses to deviant behavior. Theoretical approaches that seek to explain social deviance are also discussed and evaluated. Group 1 course. Communications - Direct, Critical Thinking - Direct, Degree Req:Cultural Persp/Div, Infused: Writing Intensive.  
Recommended Prerequisite(s): SOC 101, placement into ENG 111/11

#### SOC 260 - Race and Ethnicity
**Credit Hours:** 3, **Contact Hours:** 3  
**Division:** Social Science  
This course explores the impacts of the social construction of race in U.S. society. It focuses on the relationships between minority and dominant group populations, the causes of prejudice and discrimination, and investigates solutions to these social problems. Group 1 course. Communications - Direct, Critical Thinking - Direct, Degree Req:Cultural Persp/Div, Infused: Writing Intensive.  
Recommended Prerequisite(s): SOC 101 and placement into ENG 111/11

#### SOC 290A - Academic Service/Internship
**Credit Hours:** 1-4, **Contact Hours:** 1-4  
**Division:** Social Science  
This course is an introduction to the study of human group behavior through social interaction with special emphasis on culture, the socialization process, social stratification, collective behavior, social institutions, and social change. Group 1 course. Communications - Direct, Critical Thinking - Direct, Degree Req:Cultural Persp/Div, Infused: Writing Intensive.  
Recommended Prerequisite(s): SOC 101, placement into ENG 111/11