Sociology

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Sociology is the analytical study of human groups and societies—how they develop, how they are structured, and how they function. Like human society itself, the field of sociology is extremely broad. Sociologists study the social world, from small groups of friends and families to formal organizations, such as universities and corporations, to entire nations. In addition, scholars of sociology look at social relationships and interactions, at power and conflict, at the structures that hold societies together, and at how those societies change.

Faculty


Oluwakemi Balogun, assistant professor (gender, race and migration, African Studies). See Women's and Gender Studies.


Scott Coltrane, professor (family, gender, social psychology); interim president. BA, 1974, MA, 1985, PhD, 1988, California, Santa Cruz. (2008)


Emeriti

Joan R. Acker, professor emerita. BA, 1946, Hunter; MA, 1948, Chicago; PhD, 1967, Oregon. (1964)

Steven Deutsch, professor emeritus. BA, 1958, Oberlin; MA, 1959, PhD, 1964, Michigan State. (1966)


Courses used to satisfy major requirements must be taken for letter grades and passed with grades of C– or better; at least a 2.00 grade point average (GPA) must be achieved in these courses.

Courses numbered 401–406 and 408–409 may be taken pass/no pass (P/N); P grades must be earned to apply them to the major. No more than 8 credits may be applied to the major.

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**General Sociology**

Work in sociology begins with Introduction to Sociology (SOC204) or Social Inequality (SOC207), both of which provide an introduction to the discipline. They emphasize how sociology can be applied to contemporary social issues. Students specializing in general sociology move on to courses that provide a more in-depth study of social institutions. Courses on social stratification, social psychology, social change, and sociological theory help to tie these diverse areas together by providing perspectives that are useful in the study of any institutional area. Finally, courses in methodology and statistics provide a tool kit of analytical and research skills that are useful both in sociology courses and in whatever activities the student pursues after graduation.

**Concentration Areas**

Students can focus upper-division course work in one or more areas of concentration listed below. Concentrations are optional; it is each student’s responsibility to plan far enough in advance to complete concentration requirements and to complete the required form in the
A list of courses to be offered during the academic year is available in the sociology office or peer advising office each fall.

Each concentration requires completion of at least four courses from the respective category with grades of C– or better. Students who successfully complete a concentration receive formal recognition upon graduation. In addition to the courses listed below, approved internships (Internship: [Topic] (SOC404)) and special topics courses (Seminar: [Topic] (SOC407) and Experimental Course: [Topic] (SOC410)) may count toward the completion of the concentration. Information about internships is available in the sociology department office.

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### Minor Requirements

The minor in sociology complements a major in another discipline. Courses used to satisfy requirements for the minor must be taken for letter grades and passed with grades of C– or better.

- Of the 24 credits required in sociology courses, 12 must be upper division
- 12 credits must be taken at the University of Oregon; 8 of those credits must be upper division
- No more than 16 credits from the sociology minor may be used to complete the requirements of another major or minor

Select one from the following:

- SOC204 Introduction to Sociology
- SOC207 Social Inequality

Select one of the following:

- SOC310 Development of Sociology
and management departments also are useful.

Courses in the economics, political science, and planning, public policy psychology; organizations and occupations; and methodology. Related courses in community, urban affairs, population, and resources; social business and in the Department of Economics.

Students interested in business should include in their programs courses in social issues and problems. Students may want to complete one of the methodology and social psychology and several courses dealing with organizations and human resources. Sociology majors who want to enter a helping profession should take at least one course each in sociological and human resources. Sociology majors who want to enter a helping profession should take at least one course each in sociological methodology and social psychology and several courses dealing with social issues and problems. Students may want to complete one of the concentrations listed above in order to focus on a specific group of social issues and problems.

Students may supplement their programs with courses in the psychology and political science departments and in the College of Education. Many of these occupations require graduate or field training. Students can get more detailed information from the Career Center.

When planning a program, students should keep in mind the ways in which concentration areas and major requirements fit with career objectives.

Social Service Professions

Social service professions include social work, work in nonprofit organizations, counseling, community relations, housing, labor relations, and human resources. Sociology majors who want to enter a helping profession should take at least one course each in sociological methodology and social psychology and several courses dealing with social issues and problems. Students may want to complete one of the concentrations listed above in order to focus on a specific group of social issues and problems.

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Business or Government Service

Business or government organizations typically require general human-relations skills, some awareness of organizations and the surrounding social environment, and an ability to analyze and understand basic social data. Students interested in business should include in their programs courses in methodology, social psychology, and organizations and occupations. Programs may be supplemented with courses in the Lundquist College of Business and in the Department of Economics.

Students with career goals in governmental service should include courses in community, urban affairs, population, and resources; social psychology; organizations and occupations; and methodology. Related courses in the economics, political science, and planning, public policy and management departments also are useful.

Honors in Sociology

Motivated students may participate in the honors program in sociology. Qualified students work closely with faculty members and fellow honors students on a yearlong project of their own design, and write an honors thesis. The thesis may be based on existing data or data collected by the student.

Students who successfully complete the honors program are awarded honors, high honors, or highest honors based on the evaluation of the quality of their work by their advisors and the honors program advisor. The honors distinction (but not the level) is noted on the student’s official transcript and diploma.

Applicants to the honors program must demonstrate a high level of competence and motivation for advanced studies in sociology. A GPA of no less than 3.40 in sociology courses or a nomination by two faculty members is required for admittance, but does not guarantee acceptance. Students selected for the program are notified during spring term of their sophomore or junior year. Application forms are available in the sociology department office or the department’s web page. Students also receive an e-mail describing the application process in the spring term.

During fall and winter terms of the senior year, honors students take part in the honors seminar (SOC 407). In fall term, they work closely with the course instructor, the individual thesis advisor, and other students to refine research questions and design. By the end of the term, each student submits a thesis proposal for approval. During winter term, students work with the course instructor and classmates to collect data and begin their analysis. In the spring term, working with their thesis advisors, students complete, publicly present, and submit their theses.

Preparing for Graduate Study

Students planning graduate work in sociology should have a strong background in sociological theory and social research methods well beyond courses required for the major. Besides taking advanced courses in areas of special interest to them, students should take a substantial number of upper-division courses in other social sciences.

Applications to graduate school should be made in fall or winter the year before the student plans to enter a graduate program. Students considering graduate school should talk to their faculty advisors before their final year of school about programs at various schools, experiences that increase chances for admission, and requirements for students in graduate programs in sociology.

Kindergarten through Secondary Teaching Careers

Students who complete a degree with a major in sociology are eligible to apply to the College of Education’s fifth-year program for a license in middle-secondary teaching or the fifth-year program for a license in elementary teaching. Refer early to information in the College of Education section of this catalog.

- Master of Arts
- Master of Science
- Doctor of Philosophy
Graduate Studies

The graduate program of the Department of Sociology is intended primarily to lead to the doctor of philosophy (PhD) degree.

Students who seek an advanced degree in sociology should have achieved a grade point average (GPA) of 3.00 or better in their undergraduate work in the social sciences. Admission is not restricted to students with undergraduate majors in sociology, although the chance of admission is considerably reduced for someone without any undergraduate work in sociology.

Many students receive some type of financial assistance. In addition, some graduate students hold part-time teaching or research appointments outside the department. Information for Graduate Students, an online publication available from the department website, describes the graduate program, specifies the materials needed to apply for admission, lists specific course requirements, and includes a list of faculty members and their research interests. Students applying for graduate admission should submit all necessary materials by January 15.

Curriculum

All graduate-level courses taken to meet requirements are taken for letter grades except for the following courses:

SOC601 Research: [Topic] 1-16
SOC603 Dissertation 1-16
SOC605 Reading and Conference: [Topic] 1-16
SOC606 Supervised Field Study: [Topic] 1-16
SOC608 Workshop: [Topic] (Master's Project) 1-16

Master's Curriculum

Students are encouraged to complete their 60 credits for the master's degree in the first six terms of enrollment. Students are awarded a master's degree if they have achieved a mid-B or better average in their graded courses and if they have passed the master's paper requirement.

Doctoral Curriculum

After earning the master's degree, students prepare for a comprehensive examination in a sociological subfield chosen jointly by the student and the advisor.

Upon passing the comprehensive examination, the student is advanced to PhD candidacy and begins work on the doctoral dissertation, which must embody the results of research and show evidence of originality and ability in independent investigation. Early in their graduate work, students should begin defining the general topic to be covered in the dissertation research.

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Courses

SOC196. Field Studies: [Topic]. 1-2 Credits. Repeatable.
SOC198. Workshop: [Topic]. 1-2 Credits. Repeatable.
SOC199. Special Studies: [Topic]. 1-5 Credits. Repeatable.
SOC204. Introduction to Sociology. 4 Credits. The sociological perspective with emphasis on fundamental concepts, theories, and methods of research.
SOC207. Social Inequality. 4 Credits. Overview of social inequality, cross-culturally and within the United States. Examines relationship of social inequality based on social class, race, and gender to social change, social institutions, and self-identity.
SOC301. American Society. 4 Credits. Selected aspects of American culture and institutions and the ways in which they are changing. Prereq: SOC 204 recommended.
SOC303. World Population. 4 Credits. Introduction to population studies. Comparative analysis of historical, contemporary, and anticipated demographic change. Emphasis on demographic transitions between and within developed and underdeveloped countries.
SOC305. America’s Peoples. 4 Credits. Examines how the size, composition, and distribution of America's ethnic and racial subpopulations have shaped social structure, social culture, and social change in the United States. Prereq: SOC 204 or 207.
SOC310. Development of Sociology. 4 Credits. Analysis of the major writers and ideas that have shaped contemporary sociology. Focus on recurrent concepts and issues that continue to challenge sociological inquiry.
SOC311. Introduction to Social Research. 4 Credits. The development of social research; the nature of scientific inquiry and basic methods and techniques; examination of representative sociological studies from the standpoint of methodology. Prereq: SOC 204 or 207.
SOC312. Quantitative Methods in Sociology. 4 Credits.
Construction and interpretation of tables and graphs, descriptive
statistics, measures of association and contingency relationships, basic
ideas of probability, and elementary statistical inference applied to
nonexperimental research.

SOC313. Social Issues and Movements. 4 Credits.
Contemporary social issues viewed in relation to the social structure of
American society. Social movements and ideologies related to these
issues.

SOC317. Sociology of the Mass Media. 4 Credits.
Analysis of media events: advertisements, news broadcasts,
documentaries, popular music, and television. Perspectives include
content analysis, semiotics, functionalist and structuralist paradigms, and
power system analysis.
Prereq: SOC 204 or 207.

SOC328. Introduction to Social Psychology. 4 Credits.
How the thought, feeling, and behavior of individuals are influenced by
the actual, imagined, or implied presence of others.

SOC330. Sociology of the Family. 4 Credits.
Introduction to and historical perspective of the family as a social
institution and small-group association.
Prereq: SOC 204 or 207.

SOC335. Interaction and Social Order. 4 Credits.
Introduction to ethnomethodology, which is the study of methods by
which humans order their activities, and conversation analysis, which
focuses on methods organizing talk-in-interaction.
Prereq: SOC 204 or 207.

SOC345. Race, Class, and Ethnic Groups. 4 Credits.
Major class, racial, and ethnic groups in the United States with special
attention to the culture and experience of minority groups.

SOC346. Work and Occupations. 4 Credits.
Characteristics of work and occupational careers in modern societies;
relationships of those to family, the economy, bureaucracy, technology,
and alienation.

SOC347. Complex Organizations. 4 Credits.
Nature of organizations in modern societies (e.g., specialization,
impersonality, formalization, authority, and power); relationship
of organizations to work and careers, stratification, democracy,
discrimination, and deviance.
Prereq: SOC 204 or 207.

SOC355. Sociology of Gender. 4 Credits.
Position of women in contemporary society; women and work, politics,
families, the economy; intersection of gender, race, and class; women's
movements.

SOC370. Urban Sociology. 4 Credits.
Examines the growth of cities; urban inequalities, politics, and social
movements; built environment, ecology, and sustainability of cities and
identity; global cities and immigration.
Prereq: SOC 204 or 207.

SOC380. Introduction: Deviance, Control, and Crime. 4 Credits.
Origins of rules and laws, patterns of reactions to their violation,
emphasis on causal theories of deviance and of crime, data sources for
study of crime.

SOC399. Special Studies: [Topic]. 1-5 Credits.
Repeatable.

SOC401. Research: [Topic]. 1-21 Credits.
Repeatable.

SOC403. Thesis. 1-12 Credits.
Repeatable.

SOC404. Internship: [Topic]. 1-12 Credits.
Repeatable.

SOC405. Reading and Conference: [Topic]. 1-21 Credits.
Repeatable.

SOC406. Supervised Field Study: [Topic]. 1-21 Credits.
Repeatable.

SOC407. Seminar: [Topic]. 1-5 Credits.
Repeatable. Offerings vary from year to year depending on student
needs and faculty interests.
Prereq: SOC 310, 311, 312.

SOC408. Workshop: [Topic]. 1-21 Credits.
Repeatable.

SOC409. Practicum: [Topic]. 1-21 Credits.
Repeatable.

SOC410. Experimental Course: [Topic]. 1-5 Credits.
Repeatable.
Prereq: SOC 310, 311, 312.

SOC412. Sociological Research Methods. 4 Credits.
Descriptive and inferential statistics, including multiple regression.
Prereq: SOC 310, 311, 312.

SOC413. Sociological Research Methods. 4 Credits.
Advanced statistical techniques focusing on generalized linear models.
Prereq: SOC 412.

SOC415. Social Demography. 4 Credits.
Causes and consequences of demographic change in racial or ethnic
groups in the United States. Techniques of demographic analysis.
Prereq: SOC 310, 311, 312.

Analysis of selected topics in environmental sociology. Topics
include environmental movement, impacts of technological change,
environmental policy and the state, environmental values, attitudes, and
behaviors. Repeatable twice when topic changes for maximum of 12
credits.
Prereq: SOC 310, 311, 312.

SOC420. Political Economy. 4 Credits.
Survey of the fundamentals of political economy. Readings from
Marxian and mainstream traditions introduce contemporary debates on
socioeconomic crisis.
Prereq: SOC 310, 311, 312.

SOC425. Issues in Sociology of Family: [Topic]. 4 Credits.
Analysis of selected topics in the sociology of the family. Topics include
the sociology of parenthood, feminist perspectives on the family, and
the family in cross-cultural perspective. Repeatable twice for a maximum of 12
credits when topic changes.
Prereq: SOC 310, 311, 312.

SOC445. Sociology of Race Relations. 4 Credits.
Racial oppression as a structural and ideological feature in American life.
Prereq: SOC 310, 311, 312.
SOC46. Issues in Sociology of Work: [Topic]. 4 Credits.
Selected topics in sociology of work: occupational structures and careers, industrial democracy; technological change and work reform, politics of work. Repeatable twice when topic changes for maximum of 12 credits. Prereq: SOC 310, 311, 312.

SOC47. Issues in Sociology of Organizations: [Topic]. 4 Credits.
Analysis of selected topics in the sociology of organizations. Topics include industrial sociology, organizational change; organizational democracy; corporate deviance; bureaucracy, power, and society. Repeatable twice when topic changes for maximum of 12 credits. Prereq: SOC 310, 311, 312.

SOC450. Sociology of Developing Areas. 4 Credits.
Social and economic structures and processes promoting or inhibiting change in the developing nations of Africa, Asia, Latin America. Topics include urbanization, industrialization, cultural change, world poverty, and dependence. Prereq: SOC 310, 311, 312.

SOC451. Social Stratification. 4 Credits.
The interrelations among class, race, and sex. Historical origins and development of class and class systems including slavery. Prereq: SOC 310, 311, 312.

SOC452. Issues of Migration: [Topic]. 4 Credits.
Sociological analysis of migration, including dynamics of race and ethnicity, social structure, and social policy. Examines assimilation, marginalization, multiculturalism, postcolonialism, and social cohesion. Repeatable when topic changes. Offered alternate years. Prereq: SOC 310, 311, 312.

SOC455. Issues in Sociology of Gender: [Topic]. 4 Credits.
Advanced analysis of gender and social relations of power in contemporary society. Variable topics include Women and Health; Violence against Women. Repeatable twice when topic changes for maximum of 12 credits. Prereq: SOC 310, 311, 312.

SOC456. Feminist Theory. 4 Credits.
Examines major sociological theories that elucidate the position of women and gender as part of the configuration of social relations of power in contemporary societies. Prereq: SOC 310, 311, 312.

SOC457. Sex and Society. 4 Credits.
Examines alternative sociological perspectives on sexual behavior, the social construction and regulation of sexuality, contemporary social and political issues pertaining to sexuality. Prereq: SOC 310, 311, 312.

SOC461. Sociology of Religion. 4 Credits.
Sociological analysis of religious belief and behavior; special attention to the relation between religious institutions and the larger societies of which they are a part. Prereq: SOC 310, 311, 312.

SOC464. Systems of War and Peace. 4 Credits.
Violence and nonviolence as functions of social structures and as instruments of social change. Systems of international threat, their supporting institutions, and the ideology of nationalism. Prereq: SOC 310, 311, 312.

SOC465. Political Sociology. 4 Credits.
Analysis of political theory and behavior, social bases of power and policy determination, institutional interrelationships, intellectuals and ideologies, political trends and change, political participation and membership. Prereq: SOC 310, 311, 312.

SOC467. Economic Sociology. 4 Credits.
Applies the sociological perspective to basic economic phenomena such as markets, exchange, prices, money and rationality. Prereq: SOC 310, 311, 312.

SOC475. Marxist Sociological Theory. 4 Credits.
Basic concepts, theory, and social analysis in the works of Marx and Engels. Topics include dialectical and historical materialism, class, historical development, political economy, and imperialism. Prereq: SOC 310, 311, 312.

SOC480. Crime and Social Control. 4 Credits.
Emphasizes definitions of crimes, major substantive areas of crime, and control policies in the United States. Prereq: SOC 310, 311, 312.

SOC484. Issues in Deviance, Control, and Crime: [Topic]. 4 Credits.
Topics vary. Examples are modern policing, juvenile delinquency, correction, emerging forms of social control. Repeatable twice when topic changes for maximum of 12 credits. Prereq: SOC 310, 311, 312.

SOC491. Sociology of Education. 4 Credits.
The relationship between education and other social institutions, the school and the community, the school as a social system, social change and education. Prereq: SOC 310, 311, 312.

SOC503. Thesis. 1-16 Credits.
Repeatable.

SOC507. Seminar: [Topic]. 1-5 Credits.
Repeatable. Offerings vary from year to year depending on student needs and faculty interests.

SOC508. Workshop: [Topic]. 1-21 Credits.
Repeatable.

SOC510. Experimental Course: [Topic]. 1-5 Credits.
Repeatable.

SOC512. Sociological Research Methods. 4 Credits.
Descriptive and inferential statistics, including multiple regression.

SOC513. Sociological Research Methods. 4 Credits.
Advanced statistical techniques focusing on generalized linear models. Prereq: SOC 4/512.

SOC515. Social Demography. 4 Credits.
Causes and consequences of demographic change in racial or ethnic groups in the United States. Techniques of demographic analysis.

SOC516. Issues in Sociology of the Environment: [Topic]. 4 Credits.
Analysis of selected topics in environmental sociology. Topics include environmental movement, impacts of technological change, environmental policy and the state, environmental values, attitudes, and behaviors. Repeatable twice when topic changes for maximum of 12 credits.

SOC520. Political Economy. 4 Credits.
Survey of the fundamentals of political economy. Readings from Marxian and mainstream traditions introduce contemporary debates on socioeconomic crisis.

SOC525. Issues in Sociology of Family: [Topic]. 4 Credits.
Analysis of selected topics in the sociology of the family. Topics include the sociology of parenthood, feminist perspectives on the family, and the family in cross-cultural perspective. Repeatable twice for a maximum of 12 credits when topic changes.
SOC542. Issues in Urban Sociology: [Topic]. 4 Credits.
Determinants and consequences of urbanization under different conditions; the city as a social and ecological system. Repeatable twice when topic changes for a maximum of 12 credits.

SOC545. Sociology of Race Relations. 4 Credits.
Racial oppression as a structural and ideological feature in American life.

SOC546. Issues in Sociology of Work: [Topic]. 4 Credits.
Selected topics in sociology of work: occupational structures and careers, industrial democracy; technological change and work reform, politics of work. Repeatable twice when topic changes for maximum of 12 credits.

SOC547. Issues in Sociology of Organizations: [Topic]. 4 Credits.
Analysis of selected topics in the sociology of organizations. Topics include industrial sociology, organizational change; organizational democracy; corporate deviance; bureaucracy, power, and society. Repeatable twice when topic changes for maximum of 12 credits.

SOC550. Sociology of Developing Areas. 4 Credits.
Social and economic processes and structures promoting or inhibiting change in the developing nations of Africa, Asia, Latin America. Topics include urbanization, industrialization, cultural change, world poverty, and dependence.

SOC551. Social Stratification. 4 Credits.
The interrelations among class, race, and sex. Historical origins and development of class and class systems including slavery.

SOC552. Issues of Migration: [Topic]. 4 Credits.
Sociological analysis of migration, including dynamics of race and ethnicity, social structure, and social policy. Examines assimilation, marginalization, multiculturalism, postcolonialism, and social cohesion. Repeatable when topic changes. Offered alternate years.

SOC553. Issues in Sociology of Gender: [Topic]. 4 Credits.
Advanced analysis of gender and social relations of power in contemporary society. Variable topics include Women and Health; Violence against Women. Repeatable twice when topic changes for maximum of 12 credits.

SOC556. Feminist Theory. 4 Credits.
Examines major sociological theories that elucidate the position of women and gender as part of the configuration of social relations of power in contemporary societies. Prereq: SOC 4/555.

SOC557. Sex and Society. 4 Credits.
Examines alternative sociological perspectives on sexual behavior, the social construction and regulation of sexuality, contemporary social and political issues pertaining to sexuality.

SOC561. Sociology of Religion. 4 Credits.
Sociological analysis of religious belief and behavior; special attention to the relation between religious institutions and the larger societies of which they are a part.

SOC564. Systems of War and Peace. 4 Credits.
Violence and nonviolence as functions of social structures and as instruments of social change. Systems of international threat, their supporting institutions, and the ideology of nationalism.

SOC565. Political Sociology. 4 Credits.
Analysis of political theory and behavior, social bases of power and policy determination, institutional interrelationships, intellectuals and ideologies, political trends and change, political participation and membership.

SOC567. Economic Sociology. 4 Credits.
Applies the sociological perspective to basic economic phenomena such as markets, exchange, prices, money and rationality.

SOC575. Marxist Sociological Theory. 4 Credits.
Basic concepts, theory, and social analysis in the works of Marx and Engels. Topics include dialectical and historical materialism, class, historical development, political economy, and imperialism.

SOC580. Crime and Social Control. 4 Credits.
Emphasizes definitions of crimes, major substantive areas of crime, and control policies in the United States.

SOC584. Issues in Deviance, Control, and Crime: [Topic]. 4 Credits.
Topics vary. Examples are modern policing, juvenile delinquency, correction, emerging forms of social control. Repeatable twice when topic changes for maximum of 12 credits.

SOC591. Sociology of Education. 4 Credits.
The relationship between education and other social institutions, the school and the community, the school as a social system, social change and education.

SOC601. Research: [Topic]. 1-16 Credits.
Repeatable.

SOC602. Supervised College Teaching. 1-5 Credits.
Repeatable.

SOC603. Dissertation. 1-16 Credits.
Repeatable.

SOC604. Internship: [Topic]. 1-6 Credits.
Repeatable.

SOC605. Reading and Conference: [Topic]. 1-16 Credits.
Repeatable.

SOC606. Supervised Field Study: [Topic]. 1-16 Credits.
Repeatable.

SOC607. Seminar: [Topic]. 1-5 Credits.
Repeatable. Proseminar required for all incoming Sociology graduate students. Professional socialization and preparation for the discipline.

SOC608. Workshop: [Topic]. 1-16 Credits.
Repeatable. A current topic is Masterʼs Project.

SOC609. Practicum: [Topic]. 1-3 Credits.
Repeatable.

SOC610. Experimental Course: [Topic]. 1-5 Credits.
Repeatable.

SOC612. Overview of Sociological Methods. 5 Credits.
Examines the research process—framing research questions, qualitative and quantitative design, relationships between methods and theory, deductive and inductive investigation logic, research ethics, sampling procedures, explanatory power.

SOC613. Advanced Sociological Methods: [Topic]. 5 Credits.
Major methodological topics such as comparative, demographic, experimental, field, historical, and survey methods. Other possible topics include time-series analysis. Repeatable twice when topic changes for maximum of 15 credits. Prereq: SOC 612 or equivalent.

SOC615. Advanced Sociological Theory: [Topic]. 5 Credits.
Major sociological theories such as modern functionalism, contemporary Marxism, phenomenology, postmodernism, feminist and organizational theory. Repeatable twice when topic changes for maximum of 15 credits.
SOC616. Environment and Resource Issues: [Topic]. 5 Credits.
Explores issues of environmental sociology and resource policy, including ecological crisis; environmental justice as it pertains to race, gender, class, and international inequality. Repeatable twice when topic changes for maximum of 15 credits.

SOC617. Sociological Theory I. 5 Credits.
Sociological theories of the 19th century (especially Marx, Weber, and Durkheim) and 20th century (e.g., modern functionalism, feminist, neo-Marxism, neo-Weberian, poststructuralist theories).

SOC618. Sociological Theory II. 5 Credits.
Major themes and historical foundation of contemporary sociological theory. Prereq: SOC 617.

SOC621. Teaching in the Social Sciences. 4 Credits.
Prepares graduate students to teach their own classes. Covers pedagogy and develops practical skills. Offered alternate years.

SOC644. Race and Ethnicity Issues: [Topic]. 5 Credits.
Explores current research and theoretical debates, such as Chicano-Chicana and Latino-Latina studies, in the sociology of race and ethnicity. Repeatable twice when topic changes for maximum of 15 credits.

SOC646. Work and Organization Issues: [Topic]. 5 Credits.
Examples of issues explored include power in organizations; changing patterns of employment and work; industrial democracy; and race, class and gender. Repeatable twice when topic changes for maximum of 15 credits.

SOC656. Issues in Sociology of Gender: [Topic]. 5 Credits.
Examines sociological theories of gender, focusing on a particular substantive area such as health, work, family, or sexuality. Explores gender in relation to race, ethnicity, class. Repeatable twice when topic changes for maximum of 15 credits.

SOC664. Political and Economic Sociology Issues: [Topic]. 5 Credits.
Examines the relationship between economic institutions and political processes. Sample topics include theories of modern capitalism, corporations and the state, development and underdevelopment, war and peace. Repeatable twice when topic changes for maximum of 15 credits.