**SOCI - 1163 General Sociology, 3.00 Credits**
Level: Lower
Gen Ed - Social Sciences, Liberal Arts and Science
Sociology is the scientific study of society and social groups. This introductory course discusses the research methods, basic concepts, theories and perspectives used by sociologists. Among the topics covered are culture, socialization, social structure, deviance, social stratification, diversity, globalization, minority groups, gender, and selected social institutions.

**SOCI - 1183 Contemporary Social Problems, 3.00 Credits**
Prerequisite(s): SOCI 1163 with D or better
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Level: Lower
Gen Ed - Social Sciences, Liberal Arts and Science
The purpose of the course is to acquaint the student with a broad spectrum of social problems within the contemporary United States. The factors causing social and cultural problems will be emphasized. Each student will be required to use sociological principles to analyze one selected problem.

**SOCI - 1193 Marriage & Family Acrs Wrld Clt, 3.00 Credits**
Level: Lower
Gen Ed - Other World Civ, Gen Ed - Social Sciences, Liberal Arts and Science
This course provides a cross-cultural perspective on marriage and family while giving students the opportunity to explore similarities and differences in marriage and family practices. Specific cultures will be examined to enhance student understanding of cultural and environmental influences on beliefs, values and practices relating to kinship patterns.

**SOCI - 1223 Power, Privilege, & Difference, 3.00 Credits**
Prerequisite(s): SOCI 1163 with D or better
Level: Lower
Gen Ed - Social Sciences, Liberal Arts and Science
This course examines the social forces at work directing the distribution of power and privilege in American society. Using a sociological perspective, students learn about the multiple hierarchies defined by class, race/ethnicity, gender, and sexuality and the consequences of one's location in them. Students will learn intersectionality theory and its application to the study of inequality; that "difference" is socially constructed in systems of privilege to create "otherness," and, in turn, prejudice and discrimination.

**SOCI - 1243 Criminology, 3.00 Credits**
Prerequisite(s): SOCI 1163 with D or better
Level: Lower
Gen Ed - Social Sciences, Liberal Arts and Science
The course introduces the study of crime, criminal behavior, and the justice system. Included in this study is the process of making laws, breaking laws, and society's reaction to the breaking of laws. Students will be introduced to theories of crime as demonstrated in the current policies of crime and punishment. In addition, there will be an overview of the criminal justice system: law enforcement, the courts, and corrections.

**SOCI - 5023 Research Methods, 3.00 Credits**
Prerequisite(s): MATH 1123 with D or better or MATH 1113 with D or better or MATH 2124 with D or better
Level: Upper
Liberal Arts and Science
This upper-level course focuses on the how and why of doing research in the social and behavioral sciences, including evaluation research. The research techniques used by human services practitioners and social and behavioral scientists are emphasized including correlational and experimental methods. Ethical ways to conduct research and to build knowledge through research are examined. Writing in professional formatting style is stressed, as is understanding the parts of a journal article, the methods utilized within those professional journal articles, and how research is disseminated at professional conferences.

**SOCI - 5213 Science, Technology & Society, 3.00 Credits**
Prerequisite(s): HIST 1113 with D or better or HIST 1143 with D or better or HIST 2153 with D or better or PLSC 1043 with D or better or SOCI 1163 with D or better
Level: Upper
Gen Ed - Social Sciences, Liberal Arts and Science
This course is a survey of the growth of science and technology and their impact upon society as a whole with primary emphasis upon the United States. Major concentration is on the period since the mid-nineteenth century emphasizing the intellectual climate leading to and resulting from scientific and technological changes and the influence of these developments upon industry, government, education, agriculture, ecology and other areas.

**SOCI - 5233 Gerontology-Sociology of Aging, 3.00 Credits**
Level: Upper
Liberal Arts and Science
This course provides an overview of the sociological, psychological, physical and cultural aspects of the aging process. It will review demographic trends, theories and contemporary issues for this population. The course will also provide students with the opportunity to explore their views and attitudes on aging.