

Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Social Work

The Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Social Work offers three Bachelor of Arts degrees. The **sociology** major offers two concentration areas: criminology and sociology. Graduates have found positions in social service agencies, law enforcement agencies, non-profit organizations, social science research, and marketing. Some pursue graduate education in sociology, social work, criminology, elementary education, and library sciences, among others. The sociology major provides students a solid foundation within the discipline, particularly in theory, research methods, statistics, and human diversity. **Anthropology**, the study of human diversity and adaptation, prepares students for domestic or international careers as archeologists, cultural resource managers, educators, environmental and forensic scientists, museum curators, policy analysts, and researchers. Anthropology graduates have found positions in archaeology, business, communications, education, government, healthcare, museums and archives, and nonprofit foundations. The anthropology major emphasizes foundational knowledge in disciplinary research methods and theory, and provides practical skills training and lab and field experiences. **Social work** graduates are trained to become beginning-level generalist practitioners eligible for licensure and to apply for advanced-standing social work graduate programs. Social work graduates have found positions in family service agencies, child protective services, mental health facilities, hospitals, hospices, nursing homes, addiction treatment and rehabilitation, and criminal justice agencies. The BA in social work is fully accredited by the Council on Social Work Education.

Anthropology

To earn a BA in Anthropology, students must meet these requirements:

- Students must maintain a minimum 2.0 GPA in each of these courses: ANTH 2000, ANTH 3100, ANTH 3300, ANTH 3500, ANTH 4310.

Sociology

To earn a BA in sociology, students must meet these requirements:

- Students must earn a C or better in SOCY 1000, SOCY 3500, SOCY 4400 or SOCY 4700, SOCY 3700 or ANTH 2000, and PSYC 2130 in order to graduate. If they choose to take ANTH 2000 rather than SOCY 3700, they must earn a C in that course.

Social Work

Students must comply with these requirements to be admitted to the BA in social work:

- Students are required to apply for admission to the social work major.
- Their applications must include two letters of recommendation and a personal-statement essay not longer than four double-spaced pages.
- Students must earn a C or better in SOCY 1000, SOWO 2000, and SOWO 3910 and a combined social work GPA of 2.5 before applying to the program.

Once they are admitted, students have to meet these requirements to move through the social work major and graduate:

- Admission to the social work major is required before students can take SOWO 4060.
- Students must maintain a 2.5 GPA in all social work courses.
- Students must have a social work GPA of 2.5 to take SOWO 4920, which is required for graduation.

Majors

- Anthropology (http://bulletin.auburn.edu/undergraduate/collegeofliberalarts/departmentofsociologyanthropologyandsocialworksocy/anthropology_major/)
- Social Work (http://bulletin.auburn.edu/undergraduate/collegeofliberalarts/departmentofsociologyanthropologyandsocialworksocy/socialwork_major/)
- Sociology (http://bulletin.auburn.edu/undergraduate/collegeofliberalarts/departmentofsociologyanthropologyandsocialworksocy/sociology_major/)

Minors

- Anthropology (http://bulletin.auburn.edu/undergraduate/collegeofliberalarts/departmentofsociologyanthropologyandsocialworksocy/anthropology_minor/)

- Social Work (http://bulletin.auburn.edu/undergraduate/collegeofliberalarts/departmentsociologyanthropologyandsocialworksocy/socialwork_minor/)
- Sociology (http://bulletin.auburn.edu/undergraduate/collegeofliberalarts/departmentsociologyanthropologyandsocialworksocy/sociology_minor/)

Anthropology Courses

ANTH 1000 ANTHROPOLOGY: CULTURE AND ADAPTATION (3) LEC. 3. Social Science core. Anthropology is the exploration of human evolution and cultures. This course surveys the four subfields of Archaeology, Biological Anthropology, Cultural Anthropology and Linguistic Anthropology. We will see how anthropology provides a broad framework for understanding and solving pressing social problems in the world today.

ANTH 1007 HONORS INTRODUCTION TO ANTHROPOLOGY (3) LEC. 3. LAB. 0. Pr. Honors College. Social Science core. Anthropology is the exploration of human evolution and cultures. This course surveys the four subfields of Archaeology, Biological Anthropology, Cultural Anthropology and Linguistic Anthropology. We will see how anthropology provides a broad framework for understanding and solving pressing social problems in the world today. Credit will not be given for both ANTH 1000 and ANTH 1007.

ANTH 2000 ETHNOGRAPHIC METHODS (3) LEC. 3, AAB/LEC. 0. Pr. (ANTH 1000 or ANTH 1003 or ANTH 1007) or (SOCY 1000 or SOCY 1007) or GEOG 1100. Approaches, techniques, and strategies for carrying out ethnographic research and analyzing qualitative data in the social sciences.

ANTH 2500 ANTHROPOLOGY OF GLOBAL STUDIES (3) LEC. 3. Any Social Science Core course. Broad-based study of processes and problems that transcend national boundaries, including global historical processes, politics, migrations, trade, disease, environmental change, and sustainability.

ANTH 2600 MUSEUM STUDIES IN ANTHROPOLOGY (3) LEC. 3. Pr. ANTH 1000 or ANTH 1003. Students will consider the history of museum anthropology and reflect on contemporary anthropological engagement in/of museums and other cultural institutions.

ANTH 2610 FORENSIC ANTHROPOLOGY (3) LEC. 3. Explores standards of practice in forensic anthropology and analysis of case studies.

ANTH 2700 PEOPLES AND CULTURES OF ASIA (3) LEC. 3. Any Social Science Core course. Introduction to the traditions, religions, histories, and nation-states of the people of Asia, using a cultural approach.

ANTH 2800 ANTHROPOLOGY OF THE AFRICAN DIASPORA (3) LEC. 3. Any Social Science Core course. Anthropological perspectives on African Diasporas. Diaspora. Archaeological, ethnohistorical, and contemporary research exploring identity, symbols, power, and social relations in the lives of enslaved Africans and descendants in the Caribbean, Latin America and North America.

ANTH 2900 WORLD PREHISTORY (3) LEC. 3. Explore broad patterns in human prehistory over the past 10,000 years, including the origins of culture, religion, domestication and agriculture, writing, cities, and states.

ANTH 3000 CULTURE, MARRIAGE, AND THE FAMILY (3) LEC. 3. Role and meaning of kinship and its universal and particularistic features in human society.

ANTH 3010 MAGIC, MYTH, AND RITUAL: ANTHROPOLOGY OF RELIGION (3) LEC. Pr. P/C ANTH 1000. This course explores religious beliefs and practices around the world from an anthropological perspective. Our focus will be on how anthropologists study religion and how religious beliefs, practices, and practitioners are understood in their historical and cultural contexts.

ANTH 3100 LANGUAGE AND CULTURE (3) LEC. 3. Pr. ANTH 1000 or ANTH 1003 or ANTH 1007. Contemporary perspectives in cultural anthropology, emphasizing sociolinguistics, discourse, mythology, and folklore.

ANTH 3110 ANTHROPOLOGY AND FICTION (3) LEC. Inter-disciplinary study of fiction from an anthropological perspective.

ANTH 3200 ANTHROPOLOGY OF GENDER (3) LEC. 3. Pr. P/C ANTH 1000 or P/C ANTH 1003 or P/C ANTH 1007 or P/C WMST 2100 or P/C WMST 2103. Gender relations and representations in different cultures, historical periods, and discourses.

ANTH 3300 BIOLOGICAL ANTHROPOLOGY (3) LEC. 3. Pr. ANTH 1000 or ANTH 1003 or ANTH 1007 or BIOL 1000 or BIOL 1010. Overview of biological anthropology, including evolutionary theory and genetics, primatology, human origins, and biological variation of contemporary human populations. Concepts will be applied during in-class exercises and discussions.

ANTH 3310 RACE AND HUMAN VARIATION (3) LEC. 3. Deconstructs the myths of biological races by examining human population variation from an anthropological and evolutionary perspective. Students will explore the social history of racism and contemporary issues related to race and human diversity.

ANTH 3410 APPLIED & PRACTICING ANTHROPOLOGY (3) LEC. 3. Pr. ANTH 1000 or ANTH 1003 or ANTH 1007. Explores application and practice of anthropology in settings such as cultural resource management, museums, social and environmental policy, and healthcare. This course emphasizes how careers in anthropology contribute to resolving contemporary social problems.

ANTH 3500 ARCHAEOLOGY (3) LEC. 3. Pr. ANTH 1000 or ANTH 1003 or ANTH 1007. Archaeology is the study of human societies based on the material remains they left behind. This course explores the history, theories, methods, and applications of archaeology.

ANTH 3600 MEDICAL ANTHROPOLOGY (3) LEC. 3. Any Social Science Core course. Explores biological and cultural dimensions of global health from an anthropological perspective. Topics include the political economy of health, gendered health disparities, cross-cultural healing traditions, pluralistic medical systems, and evolutionary medicine.

ANTH 3700 ENVIRONMENTAL ANTHROPOLOGY (3) LEC. 3. Problems in environmental anthropology including ethnoecology, cultural ecology, political ecology and environmentalism.

ANTH 3810 ARCHAEOLOGY OF NORTH AMERICA (3) LEC. 3. Pr. ANTH 1000 or ANTH 1003 or ANTH 1007. Explores archaeological evidence for the history of indigenous peoples in North America during the past 10,000 years.

ANTH 3850 ARCHAEOLOGY OF THE SOUTHEASTERN AND MIDWESTERN U.S. (3) LEC. 3. Pr. ANTH 1000 or ANTH 1003 or ANTH 1007. Diversity and complexity of late prehistoric cultures of the Southeastern and Midwestern United States.

ANTH 3900 BIOARCHAEOLOGY (3) LEC. 3. Pr. (ANTH 1000 or ANTH 1003 or ANTH 1007). Archaeologically-derived skeletal remains provide essential information for reconstructing broad patterns of human health and behavior over time. Students will learn to apply methods and theory in social bioarchaeology to understand demography, diet, disease, and physical activity in past populations.

ANTH 3950 CURATION (3) LEC. 3. Pr. ANTH 1000 or ANTH 1003 or ANTH 1007. History, legislation, and ethical concerns associated with the accumulation and curation of archaeological collections.

ANTH 4310 THEORIES OF CULTURE IN ANTHROPOLOGY (3) LEC. 3. Pr. ANTH 1000 or ANTH 1003 or ANTH 1007. Major thinkers in anthropology and their theoretical models considered in historical perspective.

ANTH 4400 ARCHAEOLOGICAL FIELD SCHOOL (3) LEC. 1. LAB. 2. Pr. ANTH 1000 or ANTH 1003 or ANTH 1007. Field methods, including archaeological surveying and excavation procedures at selected locations. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

ANTH 4910 BIOLOGICAL ANTHROPOLOGY LABORATORY PRACTICUM (3) LEC. 1. LAB. 2. Pr. (ANTH 1000 or ANTH 1003 or ANTH 1007). Investigation of specific biological anthropology problem or problems, involving students in laboratory techniques and research.

ANTH 4920 INTERNSHIP IN ANTHROPOLOGY (1-3) AAB/INT. 1-3. Pr. ANTH 1000 or ANTH 1003 or ANTH 1007. Internship for practical work with anthropological/archaeological collections or anthropological research in a professional setting, including federal or state agencies, NGOs, NPOs, community and voluntary organizations, and industry (e.g., healthcare and medicine, advertising/media, architecture/design, high technology, Cultural Resource Management and historic preservation, etc.). Course must be approved by the faculty advisor and department. Internship must be a supervised, closely monitored work experience, appropriate to the major. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

ANTH 4930 CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY FIELD SCHOOL (3) FLD. 3. Pr. ANTH 1000 or ANTH 1003 or ANTH 1007. This practice anthropology course examines the relationship between culture, community, and environment in a particular field setting, in the United States or abroad.

ANTH 4940 ARCHAEOLOGY LABORATORY PRACTICUM (3) LEC. 1. LAB. 2. Pr. ANTH 1000 or ANTH 1003 or ANTH 1007. Analysis, preservation, cataloging, and restoration of archaeological materials. May count either ANTH 4940 or ANTH 3910.

ANTH 4960 SPECIAL PROBLEMS (3) LEC. 3. Pr. ANTH 1000 or ANTH 1003 or ANTH 1007. Specific topics in anthropology not covered in other courses. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

ANTH 4967 HONORS SPECIAL PROBLEMS (1-3) IND. 3. Pr. Honors College. ANTH 1000. Departmental approval. Specific topics in anthropology not covered in other courses. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 3 credit hours.

ANTH 4997 HONORS THESIS (1-3) IND. Pr. Honors College. ANTH 1000. Departmental approval.. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 3 credit hours.

ANTH 5200 GENDER DEVELOPMENT AND CULTURE (3) LEC. 3. Pr. ANTH 1000 or ANTH 1003 or ANTH 1007. or junior standing. Role of gender and culture in Third World development from an anthropological perspective.

ANTH 5600 CULTURE, MEDICINE, AND POWER (3) LEC. 3. Pr. ANTH 1000 or ANTH 1003 or ANTH 1007. or junior standing. Power in the context of illness and healing at local, national, and international levels.

ANTH 5700 CRITIQUE OF DEVELOPMENT (3) LEC. 3. Pr. ANTH 3700. Meanings and structures of national and international development.

ANTH 5930 DIRECTED STUDIES (1-3) IND. Pr. ANTH 1000 or ANTH 1003 or ANTH 1007. Directed study course in anthropology that allows students to explore concepts not covered in other courses. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

ANTH 5970 SPECIAL TOPICS IN ANTHROPOLOGY (3) LEC. 3. Pr. ANTH 1000 or ANTH 1003 or ANTH 1007. Examination of a specific problem in ethnographic methods, theory, and cultural analysis.

ANTH 6200 GENDER DEVELOPMENT AND CULTURE (3) LEC. 3. Role of gender and culture in Third World economic development from an anthropological perspective.

ANTH 6600 CULTURE MEDICINE AND POWER (3) LEC. 3. Power in the context of illness and healing at local, national, and international levels.

ANTH 6930 DIRECTED STUDY (1-3) IND. Directed study course in anthropology that allows students to explore concepts not covered in other courses. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

ANTH 6970 SPECIAL TOPICS IN ANTHROPOLOGY (3) LEC. 3. Pr. ANTH 1000 or ANTH 1003 or ANTH 1007. Examination of a specific problem in ethnographic methods, theory, and cultural analysis.

Social Work Courses

SOWO 2000 INTRODUCTION TO SOCIAL WORK (3) LEC. 3. Introduction to social work practice, examining career opportunities, history of the profession, practice settings, values, ethics, and types of clientele.

SOWO 2650 HISTORY OF SOCIAL WELFARE (3) LEC. 3. Development of social welfare policies and programs in the United States, analysis of political, economic, and social factors involved.

SOWO 3500 CHILD WELFARE (3) LEC. 3. Pr. SOCY 1000 or SOCY 1003 or SOCY 1007 or SOWO 2000 or SOWO 2003. Social work practice in settings dealing with child abuse and neglect, foster care, child care, and adoption.

SOWO 3600 AGING ISSUES AND SERVICES (3) LEC. 3. Pr. SOCY 1000 or SOCY 1003 or SOCY 1007. Introduction to social services and social work with the elderly, considering socio-cultural issues and impact on the elderly.

SOWO 3700 ADDICTIONS (3) LEC. 3. Pr. PSYC 2010 or PSYC 2017 or PSYC 2013. Addictions, theories of causality, social impact, and treatment approaches in today's society. Experiential component included.

SOWO 3800 HUMAN BEHAVIOR IN SOCIAL ENVIRONMENT I (3) LEC. 3. Pr. SOWO 2000 or SOWO 2003. Lifespan developmental approach to biopsychosocial examination of human behavior and development, emphasizing the diversity of human experience related to gender, social class, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, and disability. Experiential component included.

SOWO 3850 HUMAN BEHAVIOR IN THE SOCIAL ENVIRONMENT II (3) LEC. 3. Pr. SOWO 3800. Social systems approach to examination of human behavior and development as influenced by groups, organizations, and communities, emphasizing the forms and mechanisms of oppression and discrimination as well as strategies to advance social and economic justice. Experiential component included.

SOWO 3910 FIELD PRACTICUM SEMINAR (3) PRA. Pr. SOWO 2000 or SOWO 2003. Introduction to fields and settings of social work practice via placement in a selected social service agency. Includes a concurrent integrative seminar to analyze the experience.

SOWO 4060 SOCIAL WORK PRACTICE METHODS I (3) LEC. 3. Pr. (SOWO 2000 or SOWO 2003) and SOWO 3800 and SOWO 3910 and (SOCY 1000 or SOCY 1003 or SOCY 1007). Introduction to generalist practice methods and skills in engagement, assessment, and goal setting with individual clients. Experiential component included.

SOWO 4070 SOCIAL WORK PRACTICE METHODS II (3) LEC. 3. Pr. SOWO 4060. Practice skills and perspectives required for work with families and groups. Experiential component included.

SOWO 4080 SOCIAL WORK PRACTICE METHODS III (3) LEC. 3. Pr. SOWO 4060. Generalist practice theory and skills as applied to communities, organizations, and oppressed populations, emphasizing issues of social justice and social action. Experiential component included.

SOWO 4090 SOCIAL WELFARE POLICY (3) LEC. 3. Pr. SOWO 2650 or SOWO 2653. Critical analysis of policy issues and proposals in selected social welfare programs and their impact upon current social problems and social work values and ethics.

SOWO 4920 INTERNSHIP IN SOCIAL WORK (9) FLD. 9. SU. Pr. SOWO 4080. 480-hour field experience under joint supervision of agency and university. Application of generalist practice skills and research project required.

SOWO 4950 SENIOR INTEGRATIVE SEMINAR (3) SEM. 3. Pr. SOWO 4080. Coreq. SOWO 4920. and Enrollment in SOWO 4920. Integrating theory with practice through analysis of behavior and evaluation of practice skills.

SOWO 4970 SOCIAL WORK SPECIAL TOPICS (3) LEC. 3. Timely and/or controversial topics related to social work. Course content will depend upon the designated topic.

SOWO 7000 INTRODUCTION TO SOCIAL WORK AND SOCIAL WELFARE (3) LEC. 3. This course provides a review of the social work profession, history, and values and ethics. An overview of theory, practice, policy, and research are integrated in exploring the knowledge, values, and skills base of the social work profession.

SOWO 7010 ADVANCED CLINICAL PRACTICE (3) LEC. 3. Pr. SOWO 7020. This course provides intensive study on clinical interventions with individuals, families, and small groups across various fields of practice.

SOWO 7020 PSYCHOPATHOLOGY (3) LEC. 3. This advanced practice course teaches students to recognize selected major mental health disorders in adults, children, and youth and to become familiar with social work practice approaches used in the treatment of these disorders.

SOWO 7030 EVALUATION IN SOCIAL WORK PRACTICE (3) LEC. 3. This course examines quantitative and qualitative evaluation of agency programs and individual practice. Students will engage in hands-on individual and/or small-group research projects to experience all phases of the research process.

SOWO 7040 SOCIAL WORK PRACTICE IN THE HEALTH CARE FIELD (3) LEC. 3. This course will focus on the development of social work practice skills relevant to health care settings, including assessment of the impact of illness, disability, treatment, and hospitalization on patients and families.

SOWO 7050 MENTAL HEALTH (3) LEC. 3. Pr. SOWO 7020. This course focuses on mental health social work practice with children, adolescents and adults, covering assessment and several theoretically based interventions with an emphasis on gaining practice skills. Special attention is given to strengths-based, evidence-based, and recovery-oriented practice models.

SOWO 7060 SOCIAL WORK PRACTICE WITH INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES (3) LEC. 3. This foundation course prepares students to apply a generalist perspective and systems framework to social work practice with individuals and families. It emphasizes the basics of communication, interviewing, relationship building, and practice skills essential to effective assessment, intervention, and evaluation.

SOWO 7070 SOCIAL WORK WITH GROUPS AND COMMUNITIES (3) LEC. 3. Pr. SOWO 7060. This macro social work course provides an advanced examination of social work practice in groups and larger systems. Students will develop knowledge, values, and skills in areas of: group practice, community assessment, social planning, community organization, and political strategies.

SOWO 7080 POLICY PRACTICE AND SOCIAL JUSTICE (3) LEC. 3. This course will critically apply conceptual frameworks and empirical research in the examination of social issues, policies, and services, focusing on how policies affect marginalized, oppressed and disadvantaged populations.

SOWO 7090 ADVANCED SOCIAL WELFARE POLICY (3) LEC. 3. The course will review the historical development of social welfare and social policies in the United States and explore their context and underlying values. This course builds knowledge and skills to analyze and make changes in social welfare policy.

SOWO 7100 GERONTOLOGY (3) LEC. 3. The course provides a clinical foundation for clinical work practice with older adults and their families. Primary focus will be on understanding how diversity factors into the physiological, psychological, and social aspects of later life.

SOWO 7110 TRAUMA INFORMED PRACTICE (3) LEC. 3. This course examines social work practice theories and intervention approaches as they apply to practice with survivors of crisis and trauma. The course will focus on engagement, assessment, planning, intervention, evaluation and follow up on all social work practice levels.

SOWO 7120 PSYCHOSOCIAL CONTEXT OF DISABILITY (3) LEC. 3. Prepares the social worker to be an effective practitioner for persons with disabilities by exploring the psychosocial context of the lives and experiences of persons with disabilities and their families from various perspectives.

SOWO 7130 SOCIAL WORK PRACTICE WITH CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS (3) LEC. 3. This course develops advanced clinical social work practice knowledge and skills to engage and intervene with children and adolescents with health and mental health risk and provides knowledge for community social workers serving children who are exposed to stress.

SOWO 7140 DIVERSITY AND DIFFERENCE IN PRACTICE (3) LEC. 3. Students must be admitted to the Masters of SocialWork Program to enroll in this course.

SOWO 7600 VETERINARY SOCIAL WORK PRACTICE (3) DSL. This course reviews research, practice settings, and policy needs in the four areas of veterinary social work: the link between human and animal violence, animal assisted interventions, animal related grief and bereavement, and compassion fatigue. Students will be expected to become knowledgeable about research findings and apply them to social work practice skills and policy advocacy.

SOWO 7700 FOUNDATIONS OF SOCIAL WORK RESEARCH (3) LEC. 3. This course provides a study of quantitative and qualitative research methods in order to build knowledge for social work practice. Students will be prepared to develop, implement and communicate ethical, empirically-based scientific knowledge.

SOWO 7800 HUMAN BEHAVIOR AND THE SOCIAL ENVIRONMENT (3) LEC. 3. This graduate-level foundation course covers theories, themes, and issues that influence individual and group and development across the life span- in interaction with the environment- as it underlies social work practice and research.

SOWO 7920 GENERALIST FIELD (10) INT. 10. SU. This course prepares students for responsible, competent entry into the profession by providing opportunities to practice social work with a generalist perspective in agency settings under educational supervision. This course requires completion of 432 total hours in an agency setting.

SOWO 7930 ADVANCED FIELD (12) INT. 12. SU. Pr. SOWO 7920. Coreq. SOWO 7950. This course provides upper level graduate social work students with opportunities to develop advanced generalist and clinical practice skills under the supervision of an MSW Field Instructor. Students complete 512 hours in an approved agency during this field experience. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 18 credit hours.

SOWO 7940 ADVANCED FIELD PLACEMENT I (6) INT. SU. This is the first course in a sequence of two field placement courses that are taken successively. The course provides upper level graduate social work students with opportunities to develop advanced generalist and clinical practice skills under the supervision of an MSW Field Instructor. Students complete 256 hours in an approved agency in one semester during this field experience.

SOWO 7950 INTEGRATIVE SEMINAR (3) SEM. 3. Pr. SOWO 7020 and P/C SOWO 7930. This seminar course assists students in integrating and applying classroom learning with the advanced field placement. Opportunities are provided for case presentation, discussion and peer consultation.

SOWO 7960 ADVANCED FIELD PLACEMENT II (6) INT. SU. This is the second course in a sequence of two field placement courses that are taken successively. The course provides upper level graduate social work students with opportunities to develop advanced generalist and clinical practice skills under the supervision of an MSW Field Instructor. Students must successfully complete SOWO 7940 Advanced Field I to enter this course. Students complete 256 hours in an approved agency in one semester during this field experience.

SOWO 7970 SPECIAL TOPICS IN SOCIAL WORK (3) LEC. 3. Study of a topic of special interest in professional social work practice beyond current departmental course offerings. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

Sociology Courses

SOCY 1000 SOCIOLOGY: GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE (3) LEC. 3. Social Science I Core. Introduction to the study of social and cultural patterns of society.

SOCY 1007 HONORS SOCIOLOGY (3) LEC. 3. Pr. Honors College. Social Science I Core. Introduction to the study of social and cultural patterns in society.

SOCY 1050 AUBURN IN THE WORLD: SOCIETY AND CULTURE (4) LEC. 4. Auburn Global students. Part of the Auburn Global International Accelerator Program. The course will introduce students to American society and culture through core sociological concepts. May count either SOCY 1050 or HIST 1000.

SOCY 1100 CURRENT ISSUES IN RACE AND ETHNICITY (3) LEC. 3. An exploration of how race and ethnicity shape our daily lives and the world around us.

SOCY 2000 SOCIAL ISSUES (3) LEC. 3. Pr. SOCY 1000 or SOCY 1003 or SOCY 1007. Exploration of the claims and conflicts of public issues and moral apprehensions, including crime, the environment, gender and racial inequality, various syndromes.

SOCY 2050 CRIME AND JUSTICE IN AMERICA (3) LEC. 3. Distribution and measurement of crime, different variations in criminal behavior, and handling crime in the American criminal justice system.

SOCY 2100 POPULATION AND SOCIETY (3) LEC. 3. Survey of theories and research of demographic processes and their interaction with the economy, education, family, medicine, science, and technology.

SOCY 2200 SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGY: SOCIOLOGICAL PERSPECTIVES (3) LEC. 3. Examination of collective influences on the person and the role the person plays in sustaining collective conditions.

SOCY 3000 CRIMINOLOGY (3) LEC. 3. Examination of etiological issues related to crime; major theories of crime causation from a wide variety of perspectives.

SOCY 3100 POLICE AND SOCIETY (3) LEC. 3. Pr. SOCY 1000 or SOCY 1003 or SOCY 1007 or Departmental approval. Sociological overview of policing and current issues that relate to the police.

SOCY 3200 SPORTS IN AMERICA (3) LEC. 3. Sociological perspectives on sports in the social system; organization and culture of sports in relationship to social class, race, and gender; and the interconnections between sports and society.

SOCY 3250 SENTENCING AND CORRECTIONS (3) LEC. 3. Pr. SOCY 1000 or SOCY 1003 or SOCY 1007 or Departmental approval. In-depth analysis of sentencing policies and the correction system.

SOCY 3300 SOCIOLOGY OF THE FAMILY (3) LEC. 3. Family as a major social institution, with emphasis on the American family; cross-cultural comparisons for perspective.

SOCY 3500 SOCIAL INEQUALITIES (3) LEC. 3. Pr. SOCY 1000 or SOCY 1003 or SOCY 1007. Exploration of the sources and uses of minority representations in the United States addressing inequalities such as race, ethnicity, gender, and sexual orientation.

SOCY 3550 DELINQUENCY AND JUVENILE JUSTICE (3) LEC. 3. Pr. SOCY 1000 or SOCY 1003 or SOCY 1007. Nature and distribution of delinquency in the United States, as well as the various components of the juvenile justice system.

SOCY 3600 UNDERSTANDING NATURE, SELF, AND SOCIETY (3) LEC. 3. The course examines the intersection between nature, self, and society, and draws on sociological scholarship and nature writing. Through readings, class conversations, imaginative writing reflections, and short field trips, students will be able to critically interrogate our social relationship with nature and study the social dynamics that shape the meanings we attach to nature. Credit will not be given to both SOCY 3600 and SUST 3600.

SOCY 3700 METHODS OF SOCIAL RESEARCH (3) LEC. 3. Pr. SOCY 1000 or SOCY 1003 or SOCY 1007. Methodological approaches to data collection used by social scientists including logic of science, hypothesis formation, and research design.

SOCY 4000 SOCIALIZATION (3) LEC. 3. Examination of mind, self, society, and interaction as symbolic phenomena grounded in social process; covers major intellectual influences, concepts, and figures.

SOCY 4100 DEVIANCE (3) LEC. 3. Analysis of creation and reaction to deviance through theoretical approaches; examines several deviant groups.

SOCY 4200 HEALTH AND SOCIETY (3) LEC. 3. Nature and organization of medical practice and health delivery systems with special attention to the role of physicians, patients, and disease and to the relationship between culture, politics, and health.

SOCY 4300 FIELD INSTRUCTION (3) LEC. 3. Pr., Departmental approval. Supplementary instruction concurrent with experience in some field of work involving application of sociological perspectives to community life. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

SOCY 4400 CONTEMPORARY THEORY (3) LEC. 3. Survey of theorists from Comte to the present, emphasizing theory construction, theoretical analysis, and differences in theoretical approaches.

SOCY 4700 THEORIES OF CRIME AND CRIMINALITY (3) LEC. 3. Theories of crime causation with emphasis on theory construction, theory analysis, and differences in theoretical approaches.

SOCY 4920 APPLIED SOCIOLOGY: INTERNSHIP (3) INT/LEC. Pr. SOCY 3500 or SOCY 3700 or ANTH 2000. Departmental approval. Internship in an organization or agency with the goal of learning how to use sociological knowledge in an applied setting. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

SOCY 4960 SPECIAL PROBLEMS IN SOCIOLOGY (3) AAB/IND. 3. Pr., Departmental approval. Independent reading program under supervision, to allow pursuit of specific interests in sociology not covered in other course offerings. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

SOCY 4970 SPECIAL TOPICS IN SOCIOLOGY (3) LEC. 3. Junior standing. Advanced topics in population and ecology, social structure, social institutions, socialization, religion, or other timely topics related to sociology. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

SOCY 5120 CRITICAL THINKING AND STRUCTURED ANALYSIS (3) LEC. 3. Pr. SOCY 1000 or SOCY 1007 or Departmental approval. Exploration of various methodological and analytical issues related to critical thinking and structured analysis.

SOCY 5200 SOCIOLOGY OF LAW (3) LEC. 3. Controversial and contemporary issues in criminal law from a sociological perspective.

SOCY 5300 INFORMATION METHODS AND CYBER ANALYSIS (3) LEC. 3. Pr. (SOCY 1000 or SOCY 1007) and SOCY 5120 or Departmental approval. Overview of various methods and techniques of open source information analysis in the private and public sectors.

SOCY 5310 ADVANCED METHODS OF INFORMATION AND CYBER ANALYSIS (3) LEC. 3. Pr. (SOCY 1000 or SOCY 1007) and SOCY 5120 or Departmental approval. Application of methods and techniques of information analysis and related report writing.

SOCY 5400 SOCIOLOGY OF MENTAL HEALTH (3) LEC. 3. Pr. SOCY 1000 or SOCY 1007. Social analysis of the nature, development, identification, and treatment of mental illness. Credit will not be given for both SOCY 5400 and SOCY 6400.

SOCY 5500 VICTIMOLOGY (3) LEC. 3. Impact of victimization upon the crime victim, offender, and society, as well as the dynamics of the victim-offender relationship. Credit will not be given for both SOCY 5500 and SOCY 6500.

SOCY 5600 SEX CRIMES (3) LEC. 3. Criminal sexual behavior, the social influences on what is defined as sexually deviant, and the ways the criminal justice system handles sex offenders. Credit will not be given for both SOCY 5600 and SOCY 6600.

SOCY 5650 DRUGS AND SOCIETY (3) LEC. 3. Context and correlates of drug use, relationship with crime and delinquency, and societal reaction to drug abuse. Credit will not be given for both SOCY 5650 and SOCY 6650.

SOCY 5670 SOCIOLOGY OF GENDER (3) LEC. 3. Pr. SOCY 1000 or SOCY 1007. Social definitions and implications of gender, with emphasis on work, media, law, and interpersonal relationships. Credit will not be given for both SOCY 5670 and SOCY 6670.

SOCY 5680 SOCIAL MOVEMENTS (3) LEC. Pr. P/C SOCY 1000 or P/C SOCY 1007. Exploration of social movements as collective action leading to different forms of social change. Topics covered include the origins, dynamics and consequences of major social movements, including movements for civil rights, women's rights, disability access, sustainability, etc.

SOCY 5690 SOCIOLOGY OF EMOTIONS (3) LEC. 3. Pr. P/C SOCY 1000 or P/C SOCY 1007. Examination of the social dimensions of emotions. The emotional phenomena covered include love, empathy, anger, sadness, shame, fear, joy, happiness, and gratitude.

SOCY 5970 SPECIAL TOPICS IN SOCIOLOGY (3) LEC. 3. Pr., Departmental approval. Study of substantive areas sociology. Credit will not be given for both SOCY 5970 and SOCY 6970. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

SOCY 6120 CRITICAL THINKING AND STRUCTURED ANALYSIS (3) LEC. 3. Pr. SOCY 1000 or SOCY 1007 or Departmental approval. Exploration of various methodological and analytical issues related to critical thinking and structured analysis. Credit will not be given for both SOCY 5120 and SOCY 6120.

SOCY 6200 SOCIOLOGY OF LAW (3) LEC. 3. Controversial and contemporary issues in criminal law from a sociological perspective. Credit will not be given for both SOCY 5200 and SOCY 6200.

SOCY 6300 INFORMATION METHODS AND CYBER ANALYSIS (3) LEC. 3. Pr. SOCY 1000 or SOCY 1007 and (SOCY 5120 or SOCY 6120) or Departmental approval. Overview of various methods and techniques of open source information analysis in the private and public sectors. Credit will not be given for both SOCY 5300 and SOCY 6300.

SOCY 6310 ADVANCED METHODS OF INFORMATION AND CYBER ANALYSIS (3) LEC. 3. Pr. SOCY 1000 or SOCY 1007 and (SOCY 5120 or SOCY 6120) or Departmental approval. Application of methods and techniques of information analysis and related report writing. Credit will not be given for SOCY 5310 and SOCY 6310.

SOCY 6400 SOCIOLOGY OF MENTAL HEALTH (3) LEC. 3. Pr. SOCY 1000 or SOCY 1007. Social analysis of the nature, development, identification, and treatment of mental illness. Credit will not be given credit for both SOCY 5400 and SOCY 6400.

SOCY 6500 VICTIMOLOGY (3) LEC. 3. Impact of victimization upon the crime victim, offender, and society, as well as the dynamics of the victim-offender relationship. Credit will not be given for both SOCY 5500 and SOCY 6500.

SOCY 6600 SEX CRIMES (3) LEC. 3. Criminal sexual behavior, the social influences on what is defined as sexually deviant, and the ways the criminal justice system handles sex offenders. Credit will not be given for both SOCY 5600 and SOCY 6600.

SOCY 6650 DRUGS AND SOCIETY (3) LEC. 3. Context and correlates of drug use, relationship with crime and delinquency, and societal reaction to drug abuse. Credit will not be given for both SOCY 5650 and SOCY 6650.

SOCY 6670 SOCIOLOGY OF GENDER (3) LEC. 3. Pr. SOCY 1000 or SOCY 1007. Social definitions and implications of gender, with emphasis on work, media, law, and interpersonal relationships. Credit will not be given for both SOCY 5670 and SOCY 6670.

SOCY 6680 SOCIAL MOVEMENTS (3) LEC. Exploration of social movements as collective action leading to different forms of social change. Topics covered include the origins, dynamics and consequences of major social movements, including movements for civil rights, women's rights, disability access, sustainability, etc.

SOCY 6690 SOCIOLOGY OF EMOTIONS (3) LEC. Examination of the social dimensions of emotions. The emotional phenomena covered include love, empathy, anger, sadness, shame, fear, joy, happiness, and gratitude.

SOCY 6970 SOCIOLOGY SPECIAL TOPICS (3) LEC. 3. Study of substantive areas of sociology. Credit will not be given for both SOCY 5970 and SOCY 6970. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

SOCY 7000 ADVANCED SOCIOLOGICAL THEORY (3) LEC. 3. Pr. SOCY 4400 or Departmental approval. Review of major types of sociological theory within the context of theoretical paradigms and significant theoretical issues that face the discipline.

SOCY 7100 STATISTICAL ANALYSIS OF SURVEY, AGGREGATE, AND LARGE DATA SOURCES (3) LEC. 3. Pr. STAT 2010 or STAT 2017 or Departmental approval. Techniques commonly used in multivariate statistical analysis of data sources such as surveys, archival records, and other large data sets. Credit will not be given for both SOCY 7100 and STAT 7100.

SOCY 7200 SEMINAR IN SOCIAL BEHAVIOR (3) SEM. 3. Research and theory concerning social and group influences on behavior.

SOCY 7250 SOCIOLOGY OF VIOLENCE (3) LEC. 3. In-depth coverage of various forms of violence from the sociological perspective.

SOCY 7850 TECHNOLOGY AND TEACHING IN SOCIOLOGY (1) LEC. 1. SU. Pr., Departmental approval. Technology as a teaching tool sociology classes.

SOCY 7930 DIRECTED STUDIES (3) IND. 3. Pr., Departmental approval. Independent reading course under the supervision of a department faculty member. Course may be repeated for a maximum of 6 credit hours.

SOCY 7990 RESEARCH AND THESIS (1-10) MST. Preparation of a thesis. Course may be repeated with change in topics.