

CATALOG INFORMATION

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Dept & Nbr: SOC 201 Title: SOCIAL PROBLEMS

Full Title: Social Problems

Units	Course Hours	Per Week	Nbr of Weeks	Course Hours	Total
Max: 3.0	Lecture	3.0	17	Lecture	51.0
Min: 3.0	Lab	0.0		Lab	0.0
	Contact DHR	0.0		Contact DHR	0.0
	Contact Total	3.0		Contact Total	51.0
	Non-contact DHR	0.0		Non-contact DHR	0.0

Title 5 Category: 01 AA Degree Applic  
Grading: GC Credit course for grade or CR/NC  
Repeatability: 00 No repeatability allowed or defined  
Also listed as:

CATALOG DESCRIPTION:

This course will use sociology to study social problems with an emphasis on systemic problems, such as poverty, racism, and sexism, in social institutions, such as the family, social services, criminal justice and the environment. Recommended prep: ENG 80 or placement into ENG 200 through assessment process.

PREREQUISITES:

COREQUISITES:

RECOMMENDED PREPARATION:

No advisories.

LIMITS ON ENROLLMENT:

SCHEDULE OF CLASSES INFORMATION:

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Transfer Credit: CSU; UC. (CAN SOC 04)

ARTICULATION and CERTIFICATE INFORMATION

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ASSOCIATE DEGREE:	Effective: FALL 1981	Inactive:
Area:	B2 SOCIAL & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES	
CSU GE:	Effective: FALL 1981	Inactive:
Transfer area:	D0 SOCIAL & CRIMINOLOGY	

IGETC: Effective: FALL 1981 Inactive:  
 Transfer area: 4J SOCIOLOGY AND CRIMINOLOGY

CSU TRANSFER: TRANSFERABLE Effective: FALL 1981 Inactive:

UC TRANSFER: TRANSFERABLE Effective: FALL 1981 Inactive:

CAN:  
 SOC 04 Grp Nbr: 01 Effective: SPRING 2002 Inactive:

CERTIFICATE APPLICABLE: N NOT CERTIFICATE/MAJOR APPLICABLE

#### APPROVAL AND DATES

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Version 02 Submitted by: JAMES CURIEL Date: 02/05/2008  
 Department approved: Debra Polak Date: 02/06/2008  
 Curriculum approved: 06/01/1981 Version approved: 02/01/2008  
 Prerequisites approved: 06/01/1981 Last reviewed: 02/01/2008  
 Term effective: FALL 2008 Last taught: Inactive:

#### COURSE CONTENT

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##### OUTCOME AND OBJECTIVES:

1. Demonstrate an ability to address social problems rationally and to analyze different solutions from different viewpoints.
2. Analyze and evaluate the conflict, rapid change, ambiguities, and in our society.
3. Understand social and economic justice; develop, present, and promote a model to achieve this end.
4. Evaluate sociological studies to better understand human development and sociological change.

##### TOPICS AND SCOPE:

1. Sociological Perspectives (Examples: Conflict, Functionalism, Symbolic Interactionism)
2. Definition of a Social Problem
3. Environmental Issues
4. Stratification and Inequality
  - A. Racial Inequality
  - B. Gender Inequality
  - C. Economic Inequality
  - D. Age Discrimination
  - E. Institutional Discrimination
5. Healthcare Issues
6. Social Justice, Deviance and Criminal Justice
7. Education Issues

##### ASSIGNMENTS:

###### READING ASSIGNMENTS:

Students will be required to study assigned readings as well as research assignments given at regular intervals.

###### WRITING ASSIGNMENTS:

Students are required to submit a minimum of 1500 words in examination essay and research papers

OUTSIDE ASSIGNMENTS:

Research that will involve archival and may include primary research as well.

METHOD OF INSTRUCTION:

Lecture, film, slide presentations, reading assignments, class discussion and guest speaker.

For Distance Education Courses:

The content of this course is delivered using some form or forms of distance education technology such as television, videotape, audiotape, or the Internet. For telecourses, no less than 11 hours of personal contact between instructor and students shall be included through: group or individual meetings; orientation and review sessions; supplemental in-person activities.

For on-line courses, instructor/student contact may take place in a face-to-face setting and/or through e-mail or other electronic means. Students may interact with each other through in-person study groups, electronic message boards, or other means.

METHODS OF EVALUATION:

1. A minimum of two examinations, and of which two shall incorporate a written essay.
2. Required research paper.
3. Graded written work shall comprise a minimum of 1500 words.

BASIS FOR GRADING:

The assignment of a grade is based on the level of achievement of the outcomes and objectives of the course outline and is reflected in quantifiable terms in the course syllabus.

REPRESENTATIVE TEXTBOOKS:

1. Contemporary Social Problems (2005) by Vincent Parrillo

REASON FOR REVISION

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Title needs to accurately reflect the course, and the title and description need to be updated. Specifically, in sociological terms, the word "modern" does not denote contemporary, but refers to modernist philosophy and the modernist age. In particular, the title is out of sync with many sociologists who contend we are in the post-modern age.

RESOURCES REQUIRED

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## MISCELLANEOUS

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Advisory generate desc:	N	NO
Area department:	SOC	SOCIOLOGY
Audit flag:	N	NOT AUDITABLE
Basic skills:	X	NOT BASIC SKILLS
Classification:	A	Liberal Arts and Sciences
Cost level:	01	
Disciplines:		SOCIOLOGY
Division:	02	MERIDITH RANDALL
Faculty service areas:		SOCIOLOGY
Fee:	\$0.00	
In-service:	X	NOT IN-SERVICE
Level below transfer:	X	NOT APPLICABLE
Matric-requiring:	X	Exempt from assessment
Maximum class size:	0	
Maximum wait list:	0	
Method of instruction:	02	LECTURE
	72	DELAYED INTERACTION
Non-credit category:	X	NOT APPLICABLE, CREDIT COURSE
Open entry/exit:	N	Not open entry/exit
Pacs activity:	2208	SOCIOLOGY
Pacs program project:	0000	
Preq/coreq generate desc:	N	NO
Preq/coreq provisional:	N	NO
Preq/coreq reg check:	N	NO PREREQUISITE RULES EXIST
Repeat group id:		
Requires instructor sig:	N	INSTRUCTOR'S SIGNATURE NOT REQUIRED
SAM classification:	E	Non-occupational
Selected/special topic:	N	NOT A SELECTED TOPIC COURSE
Special class:	X	NOT A SPECIAL COURSE
TOP code:	2201.00	SOCIAL SCIENCES, GENERAL
Workload:	0.0000	