

SOCIOLOGY (SOCI)

100 Level Courses

SOCI 101: *Introductory Sociology*. 3 credits.

Introduction to basic sociological concepts. Examines aspects of human behavior in cultural framework, including individual and group interaction, social mobility and stratification, status and class, race and gender relations, urbanism, crime and criminology, and social change and reform. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts.

Mason Core: Social/Behavioral Sciences (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/>)

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 120: *Globalization and Society*. 3 credits.

Examines and analyzes important global issues and processes. Considers historical development of globalization and implications for different societies and cultures. Investigates perceptions of global processes by different cultures and nations, and efforts of international institutions to address social, political, economic, and cultural changes in global society. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts.

Mason Core: Global Understanding (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/>)

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

200 Level Courses

SOCI 208: *Introduction to Race and Ethnicity*. 3 credits.

Introduces students to individuals and ideas which have shaped and influenced racial and ethnic interactions and relations in the past and present. Attention will focus on historical meanings and sentiments attached to race and ethnicity as concepts, ideas, and images, and the ways these concepts and images have co-joined to allocate differential social, political, economic, and educational rewards to individuals and groups designated as racial groups, ethnic groups, or both. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 215: *Gender and Society*. 3 credits.

Considers the ways in which gender structures social life on both the micro level of individual experience and the macro level of social structure. Explores how normative ideals of femininity and masculinity

affect our bodies, identities and intimate relationships; and how these ideals are circulated through the media, reproduced in social institutions, and articulated in different national, cultural and religious contexts. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

300 Level Courses

SOCI 301: *Criminology*. 3 credits.

Focuses on causes and meaning of crime, with emphasis on adults. Patterns of criminal behavior, including property crimes, violent crimes, organized crime, white-collar crime, and victimless crime. Critical assessment of criminal justice system as a response to crime. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 302: *Sociology of Delinquency*. 3 credits.

Examines social factors involved in development of delinquency, including family, political economy, schooling, community environment and culture. Examines various theories of delinquency; rates of delinquency in relation to age, race, gender and social class; and legal system that addresses causes, consequences, and policies of punishment and rehabilitation. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 303: *Methods and Logic of Inquiry*. 3 credits.

Actively engages students in original inquiry meaningful to themselves and their communities. Demonstrates the reciprocal relationship between theory and empirical research. Explores the complementarity of interpretive and explanatory logics, employing basic sociological methods. Guides students to formulate problems and design research, culminating in a public presentation of their proposals to the sociology faculty. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts.

Specialized Designation: Writing Intensive in Major

Registration Restrictions:

Required Prerequisites: SOCI 101^C or 101^{XS}.
^C Requires minimum grade of C.

^{XS} Requires minimum grade of XS.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 304: *The Future of Work*. 3 credits.

Introduces the basic concepts of economic sociology. Explores how the world of work has changed due to globalization, deindustrialization, new technologies, and economic crisis. Focuses on providing students with a better understanding of how markets and corporations work, and about new economic approaches to create new, potentially less alienating work environments. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 307: *Social Movements and Political Protest*. 3 credits.

Explores processes for organizing resistance to current social and power arrangements, from terrorism to nonviolent civil resistance to create alternative institutions, policies, or leadership that promote human rights and social justice. Uses historical and contemporary case studies of local and global change to explore, how, why, and to what effect individuals have organized to protest the status quo and create social change. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 308: *Race and Ethnicity in a Changing World*. 3 credits.

Explores how race and ethnicity have been shaped by policies and practices in Western and non-Western societies. Explores the evolution of racial and ethnic attitudes from a global and historical perspective. Examines how changing demographic racial patterns may affect definitions of race and ethnicity and the ways in which people individually and collectively act to create new futures. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts.

Mason Core: Social/Behavioral Sciences (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/>)

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 309: *Contemporary Families and Intimate Relationships*. 3 credits.

Uses a sociological framework to analyze and understand the diverse forms of contemporary families—traditional marriages, cohabitation, domestic partnerships, single-parents families, stepfamilies, and gay and lesbian families. Explored are topics such as changes in sexual

mores, reflected in new dating practices; shifting parenting roles; effects of social class, race and ethnicity; and the outcomes of divorce for couples and children. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 310: *Sociology of Deviance*. 3 credits.

Analyzes macro- and microlevel deviance-producing processes, meaning and control of deviance, and major theoretical approaches to deviance. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 311: *Sociological Theory*. 3 credits.

Explores sociological tradition through readings and discussions of ideas drawn from writings of selected sociological thinkers from classical to contemporary. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts.

Recommended Prerequisite: 6 credits of upper level (300 or 400 level) sociology courses, or permission of instructor.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 312: *Qualitative Research Methods*. 3 credits.

Introduces ethnography, field work methods, interviewing, life histories, and other qualitative methods to generate data about cultures in which various groups and classes are immersed. Students learn by applying qualitative methods to term projects, developed under guidance of instructor. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts.

Recommended Prerequisite: 9 credits of Sociology including SOCI 101 or permission of instructor.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 313: *Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences*. 4 credits.

Fundamentals of applied statistics as used in behavioral science to include descriptive statistics, inferential statistics, correlation regression, analysis of variance, factor analysis, nonparametric statistics, and practical experience with calculators in applying statistical analysis to actual problems of the behavioral sciences. Offered by Sociology &

Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts.

Mason Core: Quantitative Reasoning (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/>)

Recommended Prerequisite: SOCl 101 or permission of instructor.

Schedule Type: Laboratory, Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCl 314: *Sociology of Culture*. 3 credits.

Examines how culture, encompassing high art or participatory culture, expressive agency or traditional constraint, is produced and reproduced in everyday social practices and across a wide range of social institutions. Explores the role of culture in public life and political discourse. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCl 315: *Contemporary Gender Relations*. 3 credits.

Considers the ways in which gender structures social life on both the micro level of individual experience and the macro level of social structure. Addresses contradiction between legal equality between the sexes and persistent workplace discrimination and sexual violence; how normative ideals of femininity and masculinity affect our bodies, identities and intimate relationships; how these ideals are circulated through the media, reproduced in social institutions, and articulated in different national, cultural and religious contexts. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts.

Mason Core: Social/Behavioral Sciences (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/>)

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCl 320: *Globalization and Social Change*. 3 credits.

While focusing on nature and process of change in human society, considers social impact of political, economic, and environmental change and how lives are shaped by complexities of global social forces. Examines specific global issues such as conflict and security; economic disparity; ecological deterioration; populations and migration; legitimization of commerce; diffusion of innovations; and impact of class, status, and power in modern societies. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts.

Mason Core: Global Understanding, Encore: Sustainability (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/>)

Specialized Designation: Green Leaf Focused Course

Schedule Type: Seminar

Grading:

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCl 321: *Sociology of Post-Socialism*. 3 credits.

Explores the end of socialism, and how the former Soviet Union and Eastern Europe, as well as the rest of the world, transformed since 1989. Examines art, music, criminality, oligarchs, workers, gender, commodification, nationalism, violence, the self, religion, public health, and the environment during socialism and afterwards. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts.

Schedule Type: Seminar

Grading:

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCl 326: *Conflict, Violence, and Peace*. 3 credits.

Explores the sociology of conflict, violence, and peace to examine these crucial issues from a scholarly viewpoint. Focuses on the causes and consequences of violence. Examines a wide variety of remedies from conventional deterrence and arms control strategies to alternative perspectives from nonviolent civil resistance to peacebuilding, international law, and restorative justice, as well as conflict transformation and resolution strategies. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCl 330: *US Immigrants and Immigration*. 3 credits.

Explores theoretical, empirical, and policy-related issues pertaining to immigration. Examines case studies of immigrant communities and their adaptation patterns, paying particular attention to immigrants from Latin America, Asia, the Caribbean, and the Middle East. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts.

Mason Core: Global Understanding (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/>)

Schedule Type: Seminar

Grading:

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCl 332: *The Urban World*. 3 credits.

Examines cities and the people who live in them in the United States and around the world. Includes topics such as: social and economic development, inequality, political protests, urban democracy, and the environment. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts.

Mason Core: Global Understanding (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/>)

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCl 340: *Power, Politics, and Society*. 3 credits.

Analyzes how power is defined, attained and sustained in society. Students analyze political power as related to social realities such as democratic elections, class conflict, elite networks, powersharing, protest, and revolution. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCl 352: *Social Problems and Solutions*. 3 credits.

Examines contemporary social problems and their solutions using sociological perspectives. Topics may include housing and homelessness, student debt, mass incarceration, hunger and food insecurity, environment and sustainability, human rights, wealth and global poverty, war and peace. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts.

Mason Core: Social/Behavioral Sciences (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/>)

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCl 355: *Social Inequality*. 3 credits.

Studies class structures and implications for individuals and groups in modern society. Explores issues of race and ethnicity, language and immigration status, sex and gender, social class, age, and sexual orientation. Examines critically the theory and research that explore the construction, experience, and meaning of such differences. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts.

Mason Core: Social/Behavioral Sciences (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/>)

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCl 360: *Youth Culture and Society*. 3 credits.

Introduces sociology of youth and youth culture. Investigates social, economic, and political realities of youth as a group and different groups of youth, including youth cultural production, formation of youth culture, and youth identities in variety of social settings. Offered by Sociology

& Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts.

Mason Core: Social/Behavioral Sciences (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/>)

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCl 371: *The Individual and Society*. 3 credits.

Introduces students to a sociological exploration of the individual and society. The course is organized around several major themes, including the study of the individual within social context, the process the individual uses to narrate his/her self- and social identities, and how the individual manages, protects, and solidifies his/her self-identity and negotiates the boundaries of self within the context of everyday social interactions. The course also examines how daily social interactions shape the understanding of self and experiences of the individual. In conclusion, the course presents a consideration of how identity projects are mediated by and formed within larger structures of constraint. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts.

Mason Core: Social/Behavioral Sciences (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/>)

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCl 373: *The Community*. 3 credits.

Examines small to moderate-size communities ranging through village, rural community, small town, and city subcommunity. Latter category includes city localities, ethnic villages, and suburban communities. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCl 377: *Art and Society*. 3 credits.

Introduces the many ways in which art reflects social tendencies, comments on social problems, and contributes to discussions about a wide range of social issues. Students attend theatrical performances and visit exhibition spaces on campus, and learn to analyze what they experience through both aesthetic and sociological approaches. Explores contemporary issues such as debates about artistic freedom and public morality, commercialization of art, and relationship between cultural and social hierarchies. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts.

Mason Core: Synthesis (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/>)

Recommended Prerequisite: 3 credits of ARTH.

Schedule Type: Lecture**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 382: *Education in Contemporary Society*. 3 credits.

Examines classrooms and schools as social institutions that function as socializing agents for both stability and societal change. Emphasizes the influence of inequality on educational processes and outcomes and critically examines the social organization of the U.S. public school system. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts.

Schedule Type: Lecture**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 385: *Religion and Society*. 3 credits.

Studies places of religious consciousness in human action and institutional and organizational networks created to sustain religious beliefs. Emphasizes comparative and historical analysis of role religion has played in human society. Examines theories of nature of religious experience, religious symbolism, and basis of religious community. Explores changing demographics in relation to older traditional religious faiths and newer nontraditional faiths. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts.

Schedule Type: Lecture**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 388: *Violence and Religion*. 3 credits.

Explores the relationship between religion and violence, especially warfare, cross-culturally and historically from a sociological, transdisciplinary, and global politics perspective. Examines the interface between politics and morality and the interface between national and transnational governance institutions (nations states, the UN, etc.) and cultural and religious institutions, NGOs, and social movements. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts.

Schedule Type: Seminar**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 390: *Sociology of Health, Illness, and Disability*. 3 credits.

Examines social context of health, illness, and disability; relationships of health care professionals and patients; and structure and delivery of health care in different medical systems. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts.

Schedule Type: Lecture**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 391: *Big Data, Technology, and Society*. 3 credits.

Examines the transformations in the relationships between self and society taking place at the interface between social networks, digital information and communication technologies, new media, and Big Data. Explores what these changes mean for the future of the social sciences and humanities, and what these disciplines in turn can teach us about these changes that the “analytics” of computational and data sciences cannot. Introduces students to cutting-edge methods in digital sociology and digital ethnography, exploring a variety of emerging technology developments, such as augmented reality, digital fabrication, cryptocurrency, blockchain, automation, machine learning, and artificial intelligence. Examines new forms of inequality and intimacy, technologically mediated and distributed practices of human empathy and discernment, and emerging ethical questions for research and university education. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts.

Schedule Type: Lecture**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 394: *Sociology of Human Rights*. 3 credits.

Provides an overview of sociological, theoretical, and methodological approaches to understanding human rights. Examining connections between inequality, conflict, social justice, governance, and human rights, the course focuses on the contexts of meaning within which human rights are invoked and practiced as well as the role that non-state actors play in shaping the development and institutionalization of human rights. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts.

Schedule Type: Seminar**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 395: *Special Topics in Sociology*. 3 credits.

Introduces the research interests of the faculty, offering new courses that reflect current issues not yet incorporated into the curriculum. Offers, in addition, advanced study into topics covered in the standing curriculum. Topics change by semester. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May be repeated within the term for a maximum 18 credits.

Specialized Designation: Topic Varies**Recommended Prerequisite:** SOCI 101

Schedule Type: Lec/Sem #1, Lec/Sem #2, Lec/Sem #3, Lec/Sem #4, Lec/Sem #5, Lec/Sem #6, Lec/Sem #7, Lec/Sem #8, Lec/Sem #9, Lecture, Sem/Lec #10, Sem/Lec #11, Sem/Lec #12, Sem/Lec #13, Sem/Lec #14, Sem/Lec #15, Sem/Lec #16, Sem/Lec #17, Sem/Lec #18

Grading:

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 399: *Independent Study*. 1-3 credits.

Individual study of sociological topic of interest to student. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May be repeated within the degree for a maximum 3 credits.

Recommended Prerequisite: 6 hours of Sociology and approval of a written proposal.

Schedule Type: Independent Study

Grading:

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

400 Level Courses

SOCI 405: *Analysis of Social Data*. 4 credits.

Overview of management and analysis of empirical social science data, including file construction, scaling and measurement, data transformation, and treatment of missing data. Emphasizes manipulation, management, and analysis of data sets using computers. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts.

Recommended Prerequisite: 60 hours, SOCI 313, or Permission of Instructor.

Schedule Type: Laboratory, Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 410: *Social Surveys and Attitude and Opinion Measurements*. 3 credits.

Surveys research methods and techniques to collect, measure, and analyze social data, attitudes, and opinions with special emphasis on using computer software, the Internet, and other information technologies for social research. Highlights ethical issues for social research, computing, and information technology. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts. Equivalent to SOCI 431.

Mason Core: Info Tech & Computing (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/>)

Recommended Prerequisite: SOCI 303 and 313, or equivalents, or Permission of Instructor.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 412: *Contemporary Sociological Theory*. 3 credits.

Presents for analysis and discussion the significant theorists and themes in contemporary sociological theory. Designed to enhance student's skills in reading and analyzing primary texts and to encourage reflection on contemporary social reality. Fulfills writing intensive requirement. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/>

[humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/](http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/)). Limited to three attempts.

Specialized Designation: Writing Intensive in Major

Registration Restrictions:

Required Prerequisites: SOCI 311^C or 311^{XS}.

^C Requires minimum grade of C.

^{XS} Requires minimum grade of XS.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 416: *Internship in Sociology I*. 3-6 credits.

Intended to provide students with hands-on experience in sociology and to deepen sociological knowledge. The internship experience links theory and practice. Students work in approved setting as applied sociologists. Notes: Minimum 45 hours of work for each credit required. A research paper or project is required for this course. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May be repeated within the term for a maximum 6 credits.

Mason Core: Capstone (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/>)

Specialized Designation: Topic Varies

Recommended Prerequisite: Must have completed at least 85 credits (21 credits must be in sociology) of coursework. Enrollment in or completion of SOCI 313.

Schedule Type: IND/INT #1, IND/INT #2, IND/INT #3, IND/INT #4, IND/INT #5, IND/INT #6, IND/INT #7, IND/INT #8, IND/INT #9, Internship

Grading:

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 417: *Internship in Sociology II*. 1-2 credits.

Intended to provide students with hands-on experience in sociology and to deepen sociological knowledge. The internship experience links theory and practice. Students work in approved setting as applied sociologists. Notes: Minimum 45 hours of work for each credit required Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May be repeated within the term for a maximum 2 credits.

Specialized Designation: Topic Varies

Recommended Prerequisite: SOCI 313 (can be enrolled concurrently) or permission of instructor.

Schedule Type: IND/INT #1, IND/INT #2, IND/INT #3, IND/INT #4, IND/INT #5, IND/INT #6, IND/INT #7, IND/INT #8, IND/INT #9, Internship

Grading:

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 431: *Survey Research*. 3 credits.

Surveys research methods and techniques to collect, measure, and analyze social data, attitudes, and opinions with special emphasis on using computer software, the Internet, and other information

technologies for social research. Highlights ethical issues for social research, computing, and information technology. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts. Equivalent to SOCI 410.

Recommended Prerequisite: SOCI 303 and 313, or equivalents, or permission of instructor

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 480: *Honors Seminar in Sociology I*. 3 credits.

Develop research proposals and an appropriate bibliography for honors thesis under the guidance of a sociology faculty member. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts.

Specialized Designation: Mason Impact.

Recommended Prerequisite: Admission to honors in the sociology major.

Schedule Type: Independent Study

Grading:

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Special scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 481: *RS: Honors Seminar in Sociology II*. 3 credits.

Pursue independent research and write honors thesis under the guidance of a faculty mentor. Present work in a colloquium at the end of the semester. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts.

Specialized Designation: Research/Scholarship Intensive

Recommended Prerequisite: Successful completion of SOCI 480.

Schedule Type: Independent Study

Grading:

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 483: *The Sociology of Higher Education*. 3 credits.

Exposes students to sociological theory and research on evolution of higher learning in United States. Explores social forces that have shaped the distinctively American approach toward higher education and have led to transformation of higher education in contemporary society. Particular attention to relation between universities and elites within surrounding society, linkage between education and industry, norms and values that are presupposed by educational institutions, and bearing of sports on values and traditions of higher education. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts.

Mason Core: Synthesis (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/>)

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 485: *RS: Sociological Analysis and Practice*. 3 credits.

Provides an in-depth examination of historical and contemporary issues facing sociological scholars. Focuses on the philosophies, practices, and procedures used by individuals and organizations to answer sociological questions. Engages a variety of materials, experiences and resources to answer a specific research question. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts.

Mason Core: Capstone (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/>)

Specialized Designation: Research/Scholarship Intensive, Writing Intensive in Major

Recommended Prerequisite: SOCI 303.

Schedule Type: Seminar

Grading:

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 492: *Sociology of Organizations*. 3 credits.

Theories, analysis of types of organizations from informal voluntary associations to large complex ones. Explores nonprofit organizations and alternatives to bureaucracies, such as feminist collectives, cooperatives, self-help groups, and social movement organizations. Students do field work in organizations applying theories and concepts to observations. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). Limited to three attempts.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 499: *Independent Research in Sociology*. 1-4 credits.

Investigation of sociological problem according to individual interest, with emphasis on research. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May be repeated within the degree for a maximum 8 credits.

Recommended Prerequisite: 18 hours of SOCI including SOCI 303, 311, 313 and 412; a 3.0 GPA in SOCI; and a research proposal approved by instructor and department chair prior to enrollment.

Schedule Type: Independent Study

Grading:

This course is graded on the Undergraduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

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SOCI 601: *Proseminar in Public and Applied Sociology*. 3 credits.

Core course devoted to the philosophical, historical, theoretical, and methodological dimensions of public and applied sociology within the United States. Traces the evolution of the field during the 20th century, from its inception in the Chicago school and the studies of W.E.B. DuBois to more recent formulations, as these bear on the interplay between

social scientific knowledge and public decisions and debates. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May not be repeated for credit.

Registration Restrictions:

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Enrollment is limited to Graduate, Non-Degree or Undergraduate level students.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

Schedule Type: Seminar

Grading:

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 602: *Writing for Public Sociologists*. 3 credits.

Course will concentrate on writing for various publics and popular audiences. Written mediums explored include, blogs, op-eds, essays, briefing papers, research reports, research proposals and book proposals. Emphasis will be upon jargon-free prose that is accessible to policy makers as well as the general public. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May not be repeated for credit.

Registration Restrictions:

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Enrollment is limited to Graduate, Non-Degree or Undergraduate level students.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 605: *Gender and Social Structure*. 3 credits.

Reviews theories explaining the development and maintenance of gender. Using historical and comparative data, examines perceived, prescribed, and actual sex differentiation in social, political, and economic roles. Begins with gender as a social structure and then examines contemporary research as support or refutation for variety of theoretical paradigms. Includes discussion of gender in intimate relationship and the public sector. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May not be repeated for credit.

Registration Restrictions:

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Enrollment is limited to Graduate, Non-Degree or Undergraduate level students.

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Schedule Type: Seminar

Grading:

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 614: *Sociology of Culture*. 3 credits.

Analyzes 20th-century debates in American culture and cultural politics, with emphasis on art and popular culture, news media, and competing notions of "the public." In-depth readings in cultural sociology cover variety of theoretical and methodological approaches. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May not be repeated for credit.

Registration Restrictions:

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Enrollment is limited to Graduate, Non-Degree or Undergraduate level students.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 616: *Practicum in Sociology*. 1-6 credits.

Supervised graduate research project in engaged sociology in relevant settings including social movement organizations, unions, government agencies, charitable organizations, think tanks, schools, community groups, social services, museums and the arts, cooperatives and social enterprises, public archeology, or media and communications. Notes: Students must complete 45 hours of work at the site for each credit. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May be repeated within the degree for a maximum 6 credits.

Recommended Prerequisite: 21 hours of SOC1, including research methods, or permission of instructor.

Registration Restrictions:

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

Schedule Type: Internship

Grading:

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 620: *Methods and Logic of Social Inquiry*. 3 credits.

Emphasizes gathering, interpreting, and evaluating scientific evidence. Covers logic of scientific inquiry, including the application of various research designs and data collection methods. Develops critical-thinking skills by using set of rules and logical criteria for evaluation of social science research. Focuses both on how results are obtained and disseminated via research reports. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May not be repeated for credit.

Recommended Prerequisite: Undergraduate statistics and research methodology, or permission of instructor.

Registration Restrictions:

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Enrollment is limited to students with a major in Sociology.

Enrollment is limited to Graduate, Non-Degree or Undergraduate level students.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 623: *Racial and Ethnic Relations: American and Selected Global Perspectives*. 3 credits.

Covers demographic purview of U.S. and other global racial and ethnic groups and racial and ethnic groups as human-social-minority and dominant groups. Explores factors contributing to dominant and minority status and means of altering dominant groups assessment of minority group status. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May not be repeated for credit.

Registration Restrictions:

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Enrollment is limited to Graduate, Non-Degree or Undergraduate level students.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 624: *International Migration in the Age of Globalization*. 3 credits.

Focuses on theoretical, methodological, and policy-related issues on international migration from a sociological perspective. Explores case studies of immigrant communities and their adaptation patterns, paying particular attention to immigrants from Latin America, Asia, and the Caribbean. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May not be repeated for credit.

Registration Restrictions:

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Enrollment is limited to Graduate, Non-Degree or Undergraduate level students.

Schedule Type: Seminar

Grading:

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 631: *Survey Research*. 3 credits.

Introduces theory, method, and practice of survey research design and analysis. Students complete survey research project. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May not be repeated for credit.

Registration Restrictions:

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Enrollment is limited to Graduate, Non-Degree or Undergraduate level students.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 632: *Evaluation Research for Social Programs*. 3 credits.

Studies methodological issues related to evaluation of social programs. Explores conceptual and research design issues in relation to social programs, particularly delivery of social services. Includes examination of methods used to assess need for programs, impact of delivery systems, and efficiency and effectiveness of social programs. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May not be repeated for credit.

Registration Restrictions:

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Enrollment is limited to Graduate, Non-Degree or Undergraduate level students.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 633: *Special Topics in Sociology*. 3 credits.

Specialized inquiry of topics of contemporary sociological research and scholarship. Content varies. Notes: May be repeated for credit when topic is different. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May be repeated within the term for a maximum 12 credits.

Specialized Designation: Topic Varies

Registration Restrictions:

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Enrollment is limited to Graduate, Non-Degree or Undergraduate level students.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

Schedule Type: Lec/Sem #1, Lec/Sem #2, Lec/Sem #3, Lec/Sem #4, Lec/Sem #5, Lec/Sem #6, Lec/Sem #7, Lec/Sem #8, Lec/Sem #9, Sem/Lec #10, Sem/Lec #11, Sem/Lec #12, Sem/Lec #13, Sem/Lec #14, Sem/Lec #15, Sem/Lec #16, Sem/Lec #17, Sem/Lec #18, Seminar

Grading:

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 634: *Qualitative Research Methods*. 3 credits.

Examines basic research methods involving observational techniques and procedures used in description and analysis of patterns, configurations, ethos, eidos, structures, functions, and styles typical of whole societies and cultures. Emphasizes case studies, unobtrusive methods, participant observation, longterm residence, choices of observer status role, recording data, uses of technical equipment, key informants, interviewing techniques, and ethical considerations in employing such methods and procedures. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May not be repeated for credit.

Registration Restrictions:

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Enrollment is limited to Graduate, Non-Degree or Undergraduate level students.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 635: *Environment and Society*. 3 credits.

Overview of human ecology and environmental sociology, emphasizing selected topics. Focuses on theory, since theory makes it possible to generalize from understandings derived in an analysis of a particular problem and apply them to other problems. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May not be repeated for credit.

Registration Restrictions:

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Enrollment is limited to Graduate, Non-Degree or Undergraduate level students.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 636: *Statistical Reasoning*. 3 credits.

Intermediate treatment of quantitative analytic techniques used in sociology. Topics include sampling, inference, hypothesis testing, analysis of variance, and bivariate and multiple correlation and regression. Introduces logic of multivariate analysis. Focus on how results are obtained and disseminated via research reports. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/>

[humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/](http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/)). May not be repeated for credit.

Recommended Prerequisite: Undergraduate statistics and research methodology, or permission of instructor.

Registration Restrictions:

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Enrollment is limited to Graduate, Non-Degree or Undergraduate level students.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 637: *Political Sociology*. 3 credits.

This course introduces students to the sociological study of politics through a close examination of relations of power and authority, social institutions, networks, and culture. Using a variety of theoretical texts and case studies from different time periods and schools of thought, the course demonstrates how political sociologists use these fundamental "gateway" concepts, among others, to make sense of more innovative concepts in order to explore and make sense of the dynamism of contemporary politics. Using this framework, the course looks closely at the issue of the struggle for democracy in diverse, complex, and changing modern societies. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May not be repeated for credit.

Registration Restrictions:

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Enrollment is limited to Graduate, Non-Degree or Undergraduate level students.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 638: *Feminist Theory*. 3 credits.

This course is designed to introduce students to the ideas and projects that have been formative in the development of feminist theory and to engage students in the important intellectual and political debates in which it has played a significant role. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May not be repeated for credit.

Registration Restrictions:

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

Schedule Type: Seminar

Grading:

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 639: *Urban Inequality: From Watts to #Blacklivesmatter*. 3 credits.

This course considers the ways that social inequality and responses to inequality, through community organizing, social movements, and urban policy, have shaped the urban landscape in the 20th and 21st centuries. Beginning in the Civil Rights Era and ending during a period of resistance to police brutality and gentrification, this course will explore varied issues such as urban renewal, urban rebellion, suburbanization, public housing development (and demolition), the drug wars, mass incarceration, as well as urban movements related to urban space, LGBTQ+ recognition and AIDS direction action, Right to the City, and more. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May not be repeated for credit.

Registration Restrictions:

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

Schedule Type: Lecture**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 641: *Micro Sociology: Inequality and Everyday Life*. 3 credits.

Analyze the relationship between everyday life and social inequalities, with a particular focus on examining theoretically and empirically the relationship between governing structures of society and the structure of situational and interactional terrains as it plays out in the lives of everyday people. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May not be repeated for credit.

Registration Restrictions:

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Enrollment is limited to Graduate, Non-Degree or Undergraduate level students.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

Schedule Type: Seminar**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 655: *Ethnography*. 3 credits.

Introduces ethnography in sociology to graduate students. Teaches techniques for collecting, analyzing and writing-up ethnographic materials. Considers some of the central methodological issues relevant to doing ethnography. Explores some of the critical ethical and political questions that arise within ethnographic research practice. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May not be repeated for credit.

Registration Restrictions:

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Enrollment is limited to Graduate, Non-Degree or Undergraduate level students.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

Schedule Type: Lecture**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 660: *Historical and Comparative Sociology*. 3 credits.

Seminar in theory and methods of historical and comparative sociology, primarily for students with background in sociological theory and methods. Examines basic approaches and research data of history and sociology, surveys development of field, and analyzes exemplary studies. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May not be repeated for credit. Equivalent to SOCI 860.

Registration Restrictions:

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Enrollment is limited to Graduate, Non-Degree or Undergraduate level students.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

Schedule Type: Lecture**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 670: *Social Networks, New Media, and Inequality*. 3 credits.

Examines the internet and other new technologies from a sociological perspective. Focuses on how technologies mitigate or exacerbate-transform or reproduce-existing and new forms of inequality. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May not be repeated for credit.

Registration Restrictions:

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Enrollment is limited to Graduate, Non-Degree or Undergraduate level students.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

Schedule Type: Seminar**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 696: *Independent Study*. 1-3 credits.

Theoretical and research literature chosen by student and instructor. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May be repeated within the degree for a maximum 6 credits.

Registration Restrictions:

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Enrollment is limited to Graduate, Non-Degree or Undergraduate level students.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

Schedule Type: Independent Study

Grading:

This course is graded on the Graduate Special scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 697: *Independent Study*. 1-3 credits.

Theoretical and research literature chosen by student and instructor. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May be repeated within the degree for a maximum 6 credits.

Registration Restrictions:

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy, Graduate, Junior Plus, Non-Degree or Senior Plus.

Enrollment is limited to Graduate, Non-Degree or Undergraduate level students.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

Schedule Type: Independent Study

Grading:

This course is graded on the Graduate Special scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

700 Level Courses

SOCI 711: *Classical Sociological Theory*. 3 credits.

In-depth examination of major issues in classical (pre-1930) sociological theory. Analyzes Durkheim, Marx, Weber, Mead, and others, and emphasizes social and intellectual context of their theories. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May not be repeated for credit.

Registration Restrictions:

Enrollment is limited to students with a major in Sociology.

Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Non-Degree level students.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 712: *Contemporary Sociological Theory*. 3 credits.

Examines schools in contemporary sociological theory such as structural-functionalism, conflict, exchange, symbolic interactionism, ethnomethodology, humanist sociology, and critical theory. Analyzes contemporary theorists in relation to schools. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May not be repeated for credit.

Registration Restrictions:

Enrollment is limited to students with a major in Sociology.

Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Non-Degree level students.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 730: *Analytic Techniques of Social Research*. 3 credits.

Introduces multiple regression and causal analysis to sociological researchers, with a focus on obtaining and disseminating results. Moves from linear regression to the general linear model with several variables, its extensions, assumptions, and regression diagnostics. Examines the use of dummy variable and the analysis of interaction effects. Considers systems of equations and nonlinear outcomes. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May not be repeated for credit.

Recommended Prerequisite: Undergraduate statistics and research methodology, or permission of instructor.

Registration Restrictions:

Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Non-Degree level students.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 797: *Master's Capstone Paper*. 3 credits.

MA paper completion under the direction of one faculty member. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May not be repeated for credit.

Recommended Prerequisite: Admission to graduate program in sociology or permission of graduate director.

Registration Restrictions:

Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Non-Degree level students.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

Schedule Type: Independent Study

Grading:

This course is graded on the Satisfactory/No Credit scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 799: *Thesis*. 1-6 credits.

Master's thesis research under direction of thesis committee. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May be repeated within the degree.

Registration Restrictions:

Enrollment is limited to Graduate or Non-Degree level students.

Students in a Non-Degree Undergraduate degree may **not** enroll.

Schedule Type: Thesis

Grading:

This course is graded on the Satisfactory/No Credit scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

800 Level Courses

SOCI 803: *Institutions and Inequalities*. 3 credits.

Addresses the processes through which institutions reproduce relations of power, domination, and exclusion as well as the similarities and differences across forms of inequality and their connection to institutions. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May not be repeated for credit.

Registration Restrictions:

Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

Schedule Type: Seminar

Grading:

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 804: *Sociology of Globalization*. 3 credits.

Addresses the social, political, cultural, and economic process of globalization. Explores the limits on globalization during the precapitalist era, the relation between empire and the internal structure of imperialist societies, theoretical debates over the contemporary world system, the relation between cities and globalization, and the link between globalization and social inequality within both developed and developing societies. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May not be repeated for credit.

Registration Restrictions:

Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

Schedule Type: Seminar

Grading:

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 833: *Special Topics in Sociology*. 3 credits.

Specialized inquiry of topics of contemporary sociological research and scholarship. Content varies. Notes: May be repeated for credit when topic is different. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May be repeated within the degree for a maximum 9 credits.

Specialized Designation: Topic Varies

Recommended Prerequisite: Have completed either 6 credits of coursework at the 600 level or permission of instructor.

Registration Restrictions:

Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

Schedule Type: Lecture

Grading:

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 840: *Work Organizations and Social Inequality*. 3 credits.

Examines the social, organizational, and cultural processes that account for the differential distribution of job rewards along class, gender, and racial and ethnic lines. Topics include the historical evolution of the management worker relationship, job segregation by race and gender, the effect of new technologies on social inequality, the relation between gender and professional careers, the efficacy of governmental efforts to ensure equal opportunity, and the effect of organizational change on racial and gender inequalities at work. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May not be repeated for credit.

Registration Restrictions:

Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

Schedule Type: Seminar

Grading:

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 845: *Society and Education*. 3 credits.

Exposes students to the major theories, debates, and findings within the sociology of education, emphasizing the reciprocal influences of schooling and social inequalities within contemporary societies. Emphasis on the historical evolution of public schooling in the United States, the complex relation between schooling and economic institutions, class differences in educational opportunity, and the politics of educational reform. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May not be repeated for credit.

Registration Restrictions:

Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

Schedule Type: Seminar

Grading:

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 850: *Sociology of Development*. 3 credits.

Analyzes socioeconomic and political change, focusing on the poor countries of Asia, Africa, and Latin America. Offers a basic descriptive understanding of processes of change in these countries and an introduction to major theoretical perspectives on development and globalization, from classical theories of comparative advantage to theories of imperialism, modernization, dependency, and globalization. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May not be repeated for credit.

Registration Restrictions:

Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

Schedule Type: Seminar

Grading:

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 851: *Globalization and Social Movements*. 3 credits.

Analyzes current issues in the study of social movements, with an emphasis on the ways in which globalization shapes and in turn is shaped by social movements. Emphasis is placed on the relations among the strategies, identities, and organizations bound up with transnational social movements and the relation between the dynamics of global political and economic developments and protest movements in core and peripheral societies. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May not be repeated for credit.

Registration Restrictions:

Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

Schedule Type: Seminar**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 853: *Cities in a Global Society*. 3 credits.

Examines the scholarly literature on cities and globalization with a focus on the impact of globalization on urban environments and the effects of urbanization on the processes of globalization. Emphasis on the ways in which globalization restructures urban life in the core and periphery of the world economy with attention paid to the effects of spatial dispersion on the character of economic institutions within the advanced societies, the shifting nature of crime and security, immigration, and the cities of the Global South. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May not be repeated for credit.

Registration Restrictions:

Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

Schedule Type: Seminar**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 857: *Sociology of Human Rights*. 3 credits.

Examines the connections among inequality, conflict, social justice, and human rights in an age of globalization. Drawing from case studies from around the world, course examines institutional and structural violence and inequality as they relate to state, corporate, and military power; international law and order; welfare and social policy; global justice; regionalism, multilateralism, and transnationalism; environmental protection; gender inequality; ethnic conflict; resource wars; and national security policy before and after September 11, 2001. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May not be repeated for credit.

Registration Restrictions:

Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

Schedule Type: Seminar**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 860: *Historical and Comparative Sociology*. 3 credits.

Seminar in theory and methods of historical and comparative sociology, primarily for students with background in sociological theory and

methods. Examines basic approaches and research data of history and sociology, surveys development of field, and analyzes exemplary studies. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May not be repeated for credit. Equivalent to SOCI 660.

Registration Restrictions:

Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

Schedule Type: Lecture**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 870: *Directed Readings Sociology*. 3 credits.

Intensive reading course to develop comprehensive understanding of specific field in sociology as agreed on with advisor. Notes: Content varies. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May be repeated within the degree.

Recommended Prerequisite: 6 credits of 600 level SOCI courses**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

Schedule Type: Independent Study**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 880: *Independent Study in Sociology*. 3 credits.

Reading and research on selected topic, resulting in a written project as agreed on with supervising faculty. Notes: Content varies. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May be repeated within the degree.

Recommended Prerequisite: 6 credits of 600 level SOCI courses**Registration Restrictions:**

Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

Schedule Type: Independent Study**Grading:**

This course is graded on the Graduate Regular scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

900 Level Courses

SOCI 998: *Doctoral Dissertation Proposal*. 1-9 credits.

Work on research proposal for doctoral dissertation. Notes: A maximum of 9 credits of 998 may be applied to the degree. Students may enroll in 998 in their final year of coursework while preparing for comprehensive exams. Contact department for approval and CRN to register. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May be repeated within the degree.

Recommended Prerequisite: Completion of all but final year of coursework and permission of graduate director.

Registration Restrictions:

Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

Schedule Type: Dissertation

Grading:

This course is graded on the Satisfactory/No Credit scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)

SOCI 999: *Doctoral Dissertation*. 1-12 credits.

Doctoral dissertation research and writing on approved dissertation topic under direction of committee. Notes: Maximum of 12 credits may be applied toward degree. Offered by Sociology & Anthropology (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/sociology-anthropology/>). May be repeated within the degree.

Recommended Prerequisite: Successful completion of SOCI 998.

Registration Restrictions:

Enrollment limited to students with a class of Advanced to Candidacy.

Enrollment is limited to Graduate level students.

Schedule Type: Dissertation

Grading:

This course is graded on the Satisfactory/No Credit scale. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/grading/>)