

Introduction to Sociology

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Course prefix: SOC

Course number: 1101

Section: A

CRN

31655

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Course description:

The objective of this course is to provide a general survey of the field of sociology while also equipping you with a framework to think critically about the social world and your place within it. The lectures, readings, and assignments will focus on understanding basic social processes and applying them to everyday events. We will cover a range of topics, including but not limited to the economy, religion, politics, immigration, culture, inequality, race, and gender.

Academic honesty/integrity statement:

Students are expected to maintain the highest standards of academic integrity. All work submitted must be original and properly cited. Plagiarism, cheating, or any form of academic dishonesty will result in immediate consequences as outlined in the university's academic integrity policy.

Core IMPACTS statement(s) (if applicable):

This course is a Core IMPACTS course within the Social Sciences area, designed to provide students with essential knowledge in foundational academic disciplines. It aims to help students master course content while supporting their broader academic and career goals. The course is centered around the following guiding question:

- How do I understand human experiences and connections?

By completing this course, students should achieve the following learning outcome:

- Students will effectively analyze the complexity of human behavior and understand how historical, economic, political, social, or geographic relationships develop, persist, or change.

The course content, activities, and exercises are designed to help students develop the following career-ready competencies:

- Intercultural Competence
- Perspective-Taking
- Persuasion