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The Department of Sociology/Anthropology focuses on applied sociology and anthropology, especially the analysis of social and cultural issues, policies and trends in Appalachia. We also offer courses in social theory, with an emphasis on inequality. Anthropology majors may participate in a summer field school that provides hands-on experience in archaeological excavation at significant local sites. Sociology majors may be placed in a local community organization or public agency through SOC 470, Sociological Field Experience.

Sociology

Sociology majors must complete 36 hours of coursework in sociology, including SOC 200, 344, 345, 360, 375, 475 (capstone course), at least two courses in social diversity (SOC 401, 423, 425, 440, 455, or any anthropology course), and at least one course in social institutions (SOC 342, 408, 428, or 450).

In addition, majors must select either the applied or general course of study. The applied option is designed for those who intend to work in settings such as government agencies or community organizations; additional course requirements include SOC 432 or 443 or 464 or 470. The general option is designed for those who intend to pursue a graduate degree in sociology; students may elect to concentrate in a specific subfield such as social theory or social institutions, or may take courses across the range of the discipline.

Computer Competency Requirement

This requirement is satisfied by successfully completing SOC 344.

Minor in Sociology

A minor in sociology requires at least twelve hours in sociology; no more than three hours taken below the 300 level can be counted toward the minor.

Anthropology

Anthropology majors must take 36 hours in anthropology plus SOC 345. All courses in the core–ANT 201, 304, 322, 333, 343, 443, and 451 (capstone course)–must be taken. Two courses each must be selected from the ethnographic (ANT 426, 430, 437, 441, 455, 470 or 471) and topical areas (ANT 323, 324, 340, 360, 370, 405, 427, 453, or 461).

Computer Competency Requirement

This requirement is satisfied by successfully completing ANT 451.

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ANTHROPOLOGY (ANT)

201 **Cultural Anthropology. 3 hrs.**
Introduction to the scientific study of culture with emphasis on the cultures of small-scale societies.

280-283 **Special Topics. 1-4; 1-4; 1-4; 1-4 hrs.**
(PR: ANT 201)

304 **Physical Anthropology. 3 hrs.**
Introduction to physical anthropology (PR: ANT 201)

322 **Archaeology. 3 hrs.**
Introduction to the methods and theory of archaeology.

323 **Archaeological Field Training. 3-6 hrs.**
Supervised instruction in on-site archaeological data collection, survey and excavation techniques.

324 **Archaeological Analysis. 3 hrs.**
Supervised instruction in processing and analyzing archaeological materials recovered by fieldwork.

333 **Linguistic Anthropology. 3 hrs.**
Sociocultural study of language use and its variation across time and space with analysis of how meaning is variously constructed, understood, and contested through signs and symbols.

340 **Expressive Culture. 3 hrs.**
Exploration of expressive cultural forms in the construction of personal and communal identities and their meaningful attachment to particular geographic places. (PR: ANT 201)

343 **Anthropological Research. 3 hrs.**
Introduction to anthropological research methods. (PR: ANT 201)

360 **World Prehistory. 3 hrs.**
An introduction to the archaeology of pre-literate cultures, from the emergence of Homo sapiens to the present.

370 **Classical Archaeology. 3 hrs**.
Archaeology of ancient Greece and Rome, and their colonies and imperial domains.

405 **Anthropology of Global Problems. 3 hrs.**
Anthropological study of contemporary environmental and social problems with global impact emphasizing the emergence of a culture of capitalism. (PR: Six hours of anthropology and sociology or departmental permission)

426 **African Cultures. 3 hrs.**
Comparative analysis of the ethnic groups of Africa, using archaeological and ethnographic data. (PR: Six hours of anthropology or departmental permission)

427 **American Ethnicities. 3 hrs.**
Comparative overview of historical and contemporary patterns of immigration, settlement, and inter-ethnic relations in the United States. (PR: Six hours of anthropology or departmental permission)

430 **The Native Americans. 3 hrs.**
Comparative analysis of the indigenous inhabitants of North America, using archaeological and ethnographic data. (PR: Six hours of anthropology or departmental permission)

437 **Culture in Ethnographies. 3 hrs.**
In depth exploration and comparison of diverse cultural groups through reading and discussing ethnographic texts. (PR: Six hours of anthropology or departmental permission)

441 **Oceania. 3 hrs.**
Comparative analysis of the indigenous peoples and cultures of Melanesia and Polynesia, using archaeological and ethnographic data. (PR: Six hours of anthropology or departmental permission)

443 **Theory in Ethnology. 3 hrs.**
Introduction to major theoretical traditions of cultural anthropology with emphasis on the connection between fieldwork and development of theory. (PR: 6 credit hours of anthropology or Departmental permission)

451 **Anthropological Analysis (Capstone). 3 hrs.**
Application of anthropological theory and practice to individually designed projects. This course fulfills the capstone requirement for undergraduate majors. (PR: ANT 201)

455 **Deconstructing Appalachia. 3 hrs.**
Exploration of the historical and cultural significance of Appalachia in the American experience and imagination. (PR: Six hours of anthropology or departmental permission)

461 **Theory and Analysis in Archaeology. 3 hrs.**
An introduction to archaeological theory and its application to the material record of cultures, past and present (PR: 6 credit hours of anthropology or department permission).

470 **Appalachian Field Experience I. 3 hrs.**
Supervised field work in an Appalachian community studying the social and cultural characteristics of the area. (PR: ANT 455 or equivalent)

471 **Appalachian Field Experience II. 3 hrs**
Supervised field work in an Appalachian community studying the social and cultural characteristics of the area. (PR: ANT 455 and 470)

480-483 **Special Topics. 1-4; 1-4; 1-4; 1-4 hrs**.
Study of topics of interest not covered in regularly scheduled courses. (PR: Senior status and permission)

485-488 **Independent Study. 1-4; 1-4; 1-4; 1-4 hrs.**
Individual study of topics not offered in regularly scheduled courses. Advance permission required.

495H-496H **Readings for Honors in Anthropology. 2-4; 2-4 hrs.**
Open only to Anthropology majors of outstanding ability. (See Honors Courses).

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SOCIOLOGY (SOC)

108 **Marriage Relations. 3 hrs.**
A functional course in the personal, social, and cultural factors involved in courtship and marriage.

200 **Introductory Sociology. 3 hrs.**
Introduction to the study of human society.

200H **Introductory Sociology, Honors. 3 hrs.**
Introduction to sociology for the superior student. (PR: ACT scores of 26+ or a GPA of 3.2)

280-283 **Special Topics. 1-4; 1-4; 1-4; 1-4 hrs.**
Selected topics not covered in regular course offerings. (PR: SOC 200)

297-298 **Instructional Television Course. 1-4 hrs.**
A course based upon an Instructional Television Series broadcast by public television. The student is responsible for viewing the series on the air and satisfying all course requirements announced by the department.

300 **Social Organization. 3 hrs.**
Analysis of sociological conceptual systems and theories. (PR: SOC 200)

310 **Individual and Society. 3 hrs.**
Study of sociological perspectives on social interaction and the relationship between the individual and society. (PR: SOC 200)

311 **Deviance and Social Control. 3 hrs.**
Study of the basic concepts and theories regarding deviant behavior and the mechanisms of social control. (PR: SOC 200)

313 **Contemporary Social Issues and Problems. 3 hrs.**
Analysis of current social issues and problems from a variety of sociological perspectives. Issues and problems will vary from semester to semester. (PR: SOC 200)

330 **Sociology of Community Health. 3 hrs.**
An investigation of those social institutions and environmental, social, and personal factors in the community to maintain health and provide support in illness as related to social theory. (PR: SOC 200)

342 **American Society. 3 hrs.**
Sociological analysis of the basic social and cultural features of contemporary American society. (PR: SOC 200)

344 **Social Research I. 3 hrs.**
Introduction to systematic social research methodology. (PR: SOC 200)

345 **Social Statistics I. 3 hrs.**
Introduction to statistical analysis of social data.

360 **Sociological Perspectives. 3 hrs.**
Introduction to the dominant theoretical perspectives in sociology examining the assumptions about human nature, society and sociology that constitute each theoretical tradition. (PR: SOC 200)

375 **Social Stratification. 3 hrs.**
Introduction to the analysis of structured social inequality with emphasis on the dimensions of social class, race and gender (PR: SOC 200)

401 **Population and Human Ecology. 3 hrs.**
The course focuses on population and its relation to characteristics of environment. Specifically, it is designed to discuss the interaction of population processes and resources. (PR: SOC 200)

403 **Social Research II. 3 hrs.**
Intermediate social research methodology with emphasis on research design. (PR: SOC 344 and 345, or departmental permission)

408 **The Family. 3 hrs.**
Theoretical analysis of the family as a primary social institution. (PR: SOC 200)

413 **Social Movements and Social Change. 3 hrs.**
Analysis of large-scale social change, including intentional social movements and revolutions. (PR: SOC 200)

420 **Criminology. 3 hrs.**
An overview of sociological criminology, including an examination of explanations of criminal behavior, types of criminal activity, and an analysis of the criminal justice system. (PR: SOC 200 or permission)

421 **Sociological Theory. 3 hrs.**
Examination of the emergence and development of theoretical orientations in Sociology (PR: SOC 200)

423 **Social Class, Power and Conflict. 3 hrs.**
Theoretical analysis of economic and political inequality and the role of social conflict in the process of large-scale social organization. (PR: SOC 200)

425 **Race and Ethnicity. 3 hrs.**
Diverse theoretical approaches to the meaning of race and ethnicity and the character of racial/ethnic relations, with substantive focus primarily on the U.S. (PR: SOC 200)

428 **Medical Sociology. 3 hrs**.
Analysis of the social organization of medicine and related health delivery services. (PR: SOC 200)

432 **Sociology of Appalachia. 3 hrs.**
Study of the economics, politics, and social relations of Appalachia, including contemporary debates over development in the region. (PR: SOC 200)

433 **Industrial Sociology. 3 hrs.**
Study of the organization and structure of the work place as a social system; the meaning and organization of work; managerial functions; management-labor relations; and human relations in industry. (PR: SOC 200)

435 **Juvenile Delinquency. 3 hrs.**
A sociological analysis of juvenile crime, including a review of the origins of juvenile delinquency, an evaluation of causal theories, and an overview of the juvenile justice system. (PR: SOC 200 or permission)

440 **Introduction to the Sociology of Aging. 3 hrs.**
An introduction to the social processes and consequences of growing older for both the individual and society. (PR: SOC 200)

442 **Urban Sociology. 3 hrs.**
The sociology of urban and metropolitan communities. (PR: SOC 200)

443 **Evaluation Research. 3 hrs.**
Analysis and application of theories and methods for assessing the outcomes of applied organizational services and programs to affect change in people and/or social conditions. (PR: SOC 200)

445 **Social Statistics II. 3 hrs.**
Intermediate level statistical analysis, including analysis of variance and covariance. 2 lec-2 lab. (PR: SOC 345 or departmental permission)

450 **Sociology of Religion. 3 hrs.**
Sociological analysis of religion as a social institution. (PR: SOC 200. Same as Religious Studies 450)

452 **Sociology of Death and Dying. 3 hrs.**
Study of death and dying as a societal and cultural phenomenon. Explores how institutions within our society deal with death. (PR: SOC 200)

455 **Sociology of Sex and Gender. 3 hrs.**
Analysis of social differentiation and inequality by gender, with a focus on the contemporary U.S. (PR: SOC 200)

460 **Holocaust and Genocide. 3 hrs.**
An examination of the Holocaust and other genocides from an interdisciplinary social science perspective. (PR: SOC 200)

464 **Complex Organizations. 3 hrs.**
Analysis of complex organizations with special attention given to bureaucratic organization. (PR: SOC 200)

470-471 **Field Experience in Applied Sociology. 3; 3 hrs.**
Supervised field work in public or private agencies affording students an opportunity to apply sociological knowledge and skills in addressing practical problems. (PR: SOC 200)

475 **Senior Seminar. 3 hrs.**
A capstone course drawing together the major areas of sociology to form an integrated picture of the field. Capstone experience. (PR: Graduating senior in sociology)

480-483 **Special Topics. 1-4; 1-4; 1-4; 1-4 hrs.**
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