

## **Department of Sociology and Anthropology Spring 2017 Course List**

### **ANTH 011: Cultural Diversity and Human Nature (4) – D. Schumann**

CRN 13529

Tues/Thurs, 10:45am – 12:00pm, Cap 100

Description: A cross-cultural investigation of variation in human societies. Examines forms of social organization, kinship, religion, symbolism, and language through the consideration of specific cultural case studies in local and global contexts. Students will learn how anthropological research methods enhance understanding of contemporary social issues, help solve real-world problems, and foster an informed perspective on what it means to be human.

### **ANTH 012: Human Evolution and Prehistory (4) – C. Wesson**

CRN 13530

Mon/Wed/Fri, 12:10pm – 1:00pm, Cap 150

Description: Introductory biological anthropology and prehistory. Adaptive functions of human culture and its relation to biological evolution. Mechanisms of evolution, non-human primate morphology and behavior, hominid fossil record, cultural beginnings, and survey of world prehistory.

### **ANTH: 178 Mesoamerican Archaeology (4) – D. Small**

CRN 13731

Mon/Wed/Fri, 2:10pm – 3:00pm, Cap 100

Description: Ancient civilizations of Mesoamerica: Olmec, Zapotec, Maya, Toltec, and Aztec. Reconstructions of urban centers, political and economic organizations, and theories of the Mayan collapse.

### **ANTH: 182 North American Indians (4) – J. Gatewood**

CRN 13741

Mon/Wed/Fri, 10:10am – 11:00am, Cap 75

Description: Culture areas of native North America prior to substantial disruption by European influences north of Mexico. Environmental factors and cultural forms.

### **ANTH 320 / GS 320: Global Capitalism (4) – B. Whitehouse**

CRN 13747 / 14250

Tues/Thurs, 9:20am – 10:35am, Cap 20

Description: Anthropological approach to the forms and effects of global capitalism. Topics include the structure of contemporary global capitalism, including the growth of multinational corporations, flexible corporate strategies, overseas manufacturing, and global branding and marketing; the impact of global capitalism on the environment and on the lives of people in "Third World" countries; consumer culture and the diversity of non-Western consumption practices; alternative capitalist systems.

### **ANTH 335 / REL 335: Religion, Witchcraft And Shamanism (4) – M. Young**

CRN 13430 / 13429

Tues/Thurs, 1:10pm – 2:35pm, Cap 30

Description: Addresses broad questions about supernatural beliefs as systems of meaning and as practical and moral guides, with a focus on theoretical explanations for supernatural beliefs and the function of religious specialists in the social organization of cultures.

**SOAN 112: Development Of Social Theory (4) – H. Ceron-Anaya**

CRN 11930

Tues/Thurs, 2:35pm – 3:50pm, Cap 30

Description: This course introduces some of the most influential theoretical ideas in sociology. It focuses on understanding the differences among several classical theoretical traditions and their strengths and weaknesses in analyzing societies. It also helps students learn to apply social theory to contemporary sociological research and problems, learning the ways theory can be used to answer questions and problems societies face today.

**SOAN 197 / HMS 197: Values and Ethics of Community-Engaged Research (4) – S. Stanlick**

CRN 13543 / 12925

Mon/Wed, 12:45pm – 2:00pm, Cap 30

Description: this course will explore the many dimensions of community-engaged research and learning, with special attention to ethical practices, values, research methods, and critical reflection. There are experiential and service aspects to this course that will give students an opportunity to build skills for social and community change, as well as build capacity for research and critical inquiry.

**SOC 001: Introduction to Sociology (4) – D. Lindemann**

CRN multiple

Tues/Thurs, 10:45am – 11:35am, Cap 160

Description: Patterns of social interaction, group behavior and attitudes provide a focus on the relationship of the individual to society. Social structure and social change within the institutions of society provide a focus on the relationship of society to the individual. The influences of social class, gender and race are explored at each level of analyses. Theories, methods and research results provide micro and macro models for understanding society.

**SOC 104 / POLS 104: Political Sociology (4) – Z. Munson**

CRN 13755 / 14251

Tues/Thurs, 1:10pm – 2:25pm, Cap 30

Description: An introduction to political sociology through an examination of the major sociological questions concerning power, politics, and the state. Covers questions concerning state formation, nationalism, social movements, globalization, political culture and participation, and civil society.

**SOC 106 / AAS 106 / LAS 106: Race and Ethnicity in the Americas (4) – H. Ceron-Anaya**

CRN 13838 / 14207 / 14051

Mon/Wed, 2:35pm – 3:50pm, Cap 30

Description: How is it possible that someone who is officially considered black in the United States, can embody different racial identities throughout current Latin America? Even more, how is it possible that people consider white nowadays were not officially so in early twentieth-century US (although they were viewed as white in the Latin American context at the same time period)? This course offers a historical comparative analysis of the nature and dynamics of race between the United States and Latin America.

**SOC 116 / GS 116 / JST 116: Jewish Community and Identity (4) – J. Lasker**

CRN 14329 / 14330 / 14331

Tues/Thurs, 2:35pm – 3:50pm, Cap 25

Description: A century ago, large Jewish communities existed throughout the world, including North Africa, Europe, the Middle East, and South America. Today, over 80% of all Jews live in North America or Israel. This course focuses on these historical changes in Jewish communities and the transformation of Jewish identities and social life in recent years, particularly in the U.S. and in Israel.

**SOC 162 / HMS 162: AIDS and Society (4) – S. Alang**

CRN 13374 / 13467

Mon/Wed, 11:10am – 12:25pm, Cap 30

Description: Impact of the AIDS epidemic on individuals and on social institutions (medicine, religion, education, politics, etc.); social and health policy responses; international experience; effect of public attitudes and policy on people affected directly by AIDS.

**SOC 196: Social Interaction (4) – M. Noble**

CRN 13376

Tues/Thurs, 9:20am – 10:35am, Cap 30

Description: This is an introductory course in microsociology and we will spend the semester looking closely at social interaction. We will go “inside social life” to explore the ways people create, make sense of, reproduce, and/or challenge the meanings and experiences of everyday life. The theoretical perspective known as “symbolic interactionism,” which views humans as continually engaged in the process of seeking and creating meaning through interaction with others, will guide our course. Particular attention is paid to understanding the “rules” of social interaction and how social behavior is negotiated as a learned, but often unrecognized, process.

**SOC 316 / SOC 416 / HMS 316: Social Epidemiology (3-4) – S. Alang**

CRN 13392 / 13393 / 13490

Mon/Wed, 8:45am – 10:00am, Cap 25

Description: Social epidemiology is the study of the distribution and social determinants of health and disease in human populations. This course introduces the basic principles of epidemiological study design, analysis and interpretation, covering topics such as how a disease spreads across populations and how public health interventions can help control or reduce the spread of disease. This course also reviews epidemiology as a social science by reviewing the social causes and consequences of health.

**SOC 319 / GS 319: The Political Economy of Globalization (4) – M. Nobel**

CRN 13386 / 13460

Tues/Thurs, 7:55am – 9:10am, Cap 30

Description: This course studies the relationship among economic, political and cultural forces in an era of globalization. Focus is on how global capitalism, the world market and local economics shape and are shaped by social, cultural and historical forces. Topics include political and cultural determinants of trade and investment; culture and the global economy; global capitalism, especially studied through the lens of culture; globalization and patterns of economic growth; cross-cultural study of consumerism; and poverty and inequality.

**SOC 322 / GS 322 / HMS 322: Global Health Issues (3-4) – J. Lasker**

CRN 12115 / 12126 / 12116

Tues/Thurs, 10:45am – 12:00pm, Cap 20

Description: Sociological dimensions of health, illness, and healing as they appear in different parts of the world. Focus on patterns of disease and mortality around the world; the relative importance of 'traditional' and 'modern' beliefs and practices with regard to disease and treatment in different societies; the organization of national health care systems in different countries; and the role of international organizations and social movements in promoting health.

**SOC 370 / ES 370 / GS 370: Globalization and the Environment (4) – M. Nobel**

CRN 13756 / 14142 / 14191

Tues/Thurs, 1:10pm – 2:25pm, Cap 30

Description: This course investigates globalization and the environment including how globalization has influenced society-nature relationships, as well as how environmental conditions influence the globalization processes. A key focus will be on the rapidly evolving global economic and political systems that characterize global development dynamics therefore resource use. Particular attention is paid to the role of multi-national corporations, international trade, and finance patterns and agreements. Questions related to consumption, population, global climate change, toxic wastes, and food production/distribution represent key themes.

**SOC 396 / SOC 496 / WGSS 396 / WGSS 496: “Bad Girls”: Gender, Sexuality, Deviance (3-4) – D. Lindemann**

CRN 13757 / 13836 / 14177 / 14179

Tues/Thurs, 2:35pm – 3:50pm, Cap 40

Description: This course focuses on “bad girls” (and boys!): people who perform their gender and/or sexuality in ways that fall outside of the norm. Topics include, but are not limited to: commercial sex workers, dominatrixes, transpeople, stay-at-home dads, and drag queens. Emphasis will be placed on understanding how cultural meanings shape our shared understandings of what is “normal” or “abnormal,” “good” or “bad.” We will regularly link the readings to current events and elements of popular culture.

**SOC 398 / HMS 398 / GS 398 / AAS 398: Infections and Inequalities: HIV, TB, & Malaria in the Global South (4) – K. Austin**

CRN 14334 / 14337 / 14336 / 14335

Wed, 1:10pm – 4:00pm, Cap 15

Description: This course will explore the social, economic, and environmental causes of HIV, TB, and malaria in developing nations, with a particular focus on the characteristics and causes of these diseases in Sub-Saharan Africa. Students will engage theories and perspectives to understand why certain groups are more vulnerable to infection than others. The course will have a strong project or research-based component, where students will be asked to create an innovative research paper, website, interactive timeline, intervention plan, project proposal or other deliverables.

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**SOC 404 / ES 404: Socio-cultural Foundations of Environmental Policy Design (3) – D. Casagrande**

CRN 13413 / 13511

Wed, 4:10pm – 7:00pm, Cap 12

Description: This course is based on the premise that social and ecological sustainability require new policy approaches. Drawing on social, organizational, and behavioral theory, students will learn techniques for analyzing and critiquing existing environmental policies and designing more effective policies. Case studies highlight how cultural values, social norms, public opinion and politics shape policies and their outcomes. We examine the entire policy process from how environmental problems are defined, to how organizations implement policies and how policies are evaluated.

**SOC 411 Advanced Research Methods, Part I: Quantitative (3) – Y. Zhang**

CRN 13758

Thurs, 4:10pm – 7:00pm, Cap 10

Study of quantitative methods of data collection and analysis, measurement and research design issues at an advanced level.

**SOC 412 Adv Research Methods, Part II, Qualitative (3) – Z. Munson**

CRN 13759

Tues, 4:10pm – 7:00pm, Cap 10

Study of qualitative methods of data collection and analysis, measurement and research design issues at an advanced level.

**SOC 416: Social Epidemiology...** please see **SOC 316**

**SOC 461-010: Seminar in Sociology: Urban Education, Inequality, and Public Policy (3) – H. Johnson**

CRN 10558

Wed, 4:10pm – 7:00pm, Cap 10

**SOC 461-011: Infections and Inequalities...** please see **SOC 398**

**SOC 461-012: Global Capitalism...** please see **ANTH 320**

**SOC 461-013: Religion, Witchcraft and Shamanism...** please see **ANTH 335**

**SOC 461-014: Globalization and the Environment...** please see **SOC 370**

**SOC 496 / WGSS 496: “Bad Girls” ...** please see **SOC 396**