



**KENTUCKY STATE
UNIVERSITY**

SOCIOLOGY (SOC)

SOC 201: Eco of Food & Agriculture

The course offers an introduction to agriculture economics and some basic tools and concepts essential to economic decision making.

Credit Hours: 3

Contact Hours: 3

SOC 202: Rural Comm.: Legacy & Change

Social problems of small communities are examined in changing rural America. The approach is sociological but interdisciplinary incorporating historical analysis and political economy.

Credit Hours: 3

Contact Hours: 3

SOC 203: Principles of Sociology

Survey of the basic principles and concepts of sociology.

Credit Hours: 3

Contact Hours: 3

SOC 300: Statistics for BSS

This course serves as an introduction to the use of statistics as a method of describing and analyzing data from research in the behavioral and social sciences.

Prerequisite: A background in basic algebra

Credit Hours: 3

Contact Hours: 3

SOC 301: Research Methods for BSS

Introduces the basic logic, knowledge, and skills of research design and methodology in the behavioral and social sciences.

Prerequisite: SOC/POS/PSY 300 or consent of instructor

Credit Hours: 3

Contact Hours: 3

SOC 303: Cultural Anthropology

Introduction to the scientific study of human culture; the examination of the ecological, historical, and evolutionary foundations of culture.

Prerequisite: SOC 203

Credit Hours: 3

Contact Hours: 3

SOC 304: Race and Ethnic Relations

A sociological analysis of modern race and ethnic relations with attention given to black/white interaction, race prejudice, discrimination, cultural differences, and socio/cultural dynamics.

Prerequisite: SOC 203, HIS 201, and HIS 202

Credit Hours: 3

Contact Hours: 3

SOC 305: Contemp Social Problems

An examination of social issues and conflicts of society from a sociological perspective.

Prerequisite: SOC 203

Credit Hours: 3

Contact Hours: 3

SOC 312: Sociology of Poverty

Investigation of the socio/cultural factors that contribute to poverty and deprivation in rural and urban settings.

Prerequisite: SOC 305

Credit Hours: 3

Contact Hours: 3

SOC 314: Demography

Examination of the factors that affect growth, size, composition, and distribution of human populations; the components of population change and their relationship to socio/cultural variables.

Prerequisite: SOC 203 and SOC 300

Credit Hours: 3

Contact Hours: 3

SOC 320: Social Stratification

Study of systems of social ranking in societies. Attention is focused on social classes in American societies and the distribution of power, prestige, and privileges.

Prerequisite: SOC 203 or consent of instructor

Credit Hours: 3

Contact Hours: 3

SOC 330: Sociology of Education

Focuses on education's role in creating and redressing inequality, and in shaping how we understand our place in society. Education from cross-national and historical perspectives, and education as a vehicle for examining and solving social problem.

Credit Hours: 3

Contact Hours: 3

SOC 343: Juvenile Delinquency

The prerequisite may be taken concurrently. Study of the causes of delinquency as revealed through personal, family, and community/situational conditions.

Prerequisite: SOC 203

Credit Hours: 3

Contact Hours: 3

SOC 350: Urban Sociology

The prerequisite may be taken concurrently. Examination of social processes, including the emergence of leadership, the structure of authority, and the differentiation between and among urban institutions.

Prerequisite: SOC 203

Credit Hours: 3

Contact Hours: 3

SOC 400: Internship

The internship offers experiential learning wherein students are assigned to research and agriculture extension mentors. The objective is to encourage careers in agriculture through direct experience.

Credit Hours: 3

Contact Hours: 3

SOC 403: Social Psychology

Prerequisite(s): PSY 200 and SOC 203, or consent of instructor. A study of social and individual dynamics, social roles, attitude formation and change with emphasis on behavioral variation and social control.

Credit Hours: 3

Contact Hours: 3

SOC 405: Sociological Theory

The social, cultural, and intellectual foundations of sociological theory.

Prerequisite: Junior classification in Sociology

Credit Hours: 3

Contact Hours: 3

SOC 423: Criminology

The latter prerequisite may be taken concurrently. A study of criminology from the classical schools to the present, with special units on the professional criminal and white collar crime.

Prerequisite: SOC 203

Credit Hours: 3

Contact Hours: 3

SOC 428: Applied Sociology

Examination of a broad range of perspectives for the application of sociological principles and techniques to human environmental problems and conditions.

Prerequisite: Junior classification in Sociology

Credit Hours: 3

Contact Hours: 3

SOC 430: Child Welfare Services

An historical analysis of child welfare as an institution and an in-depth study of programs, policies, practices and their impact on children, youth and families.

Credit Hours: 3

Contact Hours: 3

SOC 431: Social Change

Open to seniors only. A seminar in which students present and defend independently developed projects on the dynamics of change.

Prerequisite: SOC 203 and 9 additional semester credit hours earned in upper/level Sociology courses

Credit Hours: 3

Contact Hours: 3

SOC 490: Sociology Practicum I

A directed reading, research, or pre/professional working/learning experience for selected students in sociology.

Prerequisite: Consent of instructor

Credit Hours: 1-6

Contact Hours: 1-6

SOC 491: Sociology Practicum II

A directed reading, research, or pre/professional working/learning experience for selected students in sociology.

Prerequisite: Consent of instructor

Credit Hours: 1-6

Contact Hours: 1-6

SOC 492: Sociology Practicum III

A directed reading, research, or pre/professional working/learning experience for selected students in sociology.

Prerequisite: Consent of instructor

Credit Hours: 1-6

Contact Hours: 1-6

SOC 499: Senior Colloquium

This course is designed to develop analytical skills, interpretation and research; and to nurture intellectual self/reliance and critical thinking.

Prerequisite: Senior Classification

Credit Hours: 3

Contact Hours: 3