

SOCIOLOGY

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Unless otherwise indicated in the course description, all courses at the University of Florida are taught in English, with the exception of specific foreign language courses.

Department Information

The Department of Sociology and Criminology & Law has over 1,000 undergraduate majors and 100 graduate students. The department's faculty are internationally known for their research in the areas of families, gender, and sexualities; health, aging, and the life course; environmental and resource sociology; race and ethnicity; criminology and criminal justice; and psychology and law.

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Curriculum

- Combination Degrees
- Criminology
- Criminology UF Online
- Sociology
- Sociology Minor
- Sociology Minor UF Online
- Sociology of Social Justice and Policy Minor
- Sociology UF Online

Courses

SYA 4110 Development of Sociological Thought 4 Credits

Grading Scheme: Letter Grade

Comparative study of the principal contributors to the development of sociology. Emphasizes relevance of these ideas to contemporary social thought and current social issues.

Prerequisite: nine credits of sociology.

SYA 4300 Methods of Social Research 4 Credits

Grading Scheme: Letter Grade

Introduces the scientific method and its application to social science research. Includes research design, data collection and computer data analysis and interpretation.

Prerequisite: 4 credits of sociology and STA 2023.

SYA 4506 Writing in Sociology 3 Credits

Grading Scheme: Letter Grade

Helps sociology majors improve the quality of writing professional sociological reports.

Prerequisite: Sociology major.

SYA 4905 Individual Work 1-4 Credits

Grading Scheme: Letter Grade

Examines topics/areas/issues not covered in regularly scheduled courses.

Prerequisite: nine credits of sociology and department permission.

SYA 4911 Undergraduate Research in Sociology 0-3 Credits

Grading Scheme: Letter Grade

Provides firsthand, supervised research. Projects may involve inquiry, design, investigation, scholarship, discovery, or application.

SYA 4930 Special Study 3 Credits

Grading Scheme: Letter Grade

Various specialized topics/areas/issues not covered in regularly scheduled courses.

Prerequisite: none

SYA 4931 Department Honors in Sociology 3 Credits

Grading Scheme: Letter Grade

Department honors course.

SYA 4941 Internship in Applied Sociology 3 Credits

Grading Scheme: Letter Grade

Supervised individual sociology practicum / internship in a social services organization.

Prerequisite: six credits of sociology and department permission.

SYD 3395 Sociology of Globalization 3 Credits

Grading Scheme: Letter Grade

Examination of diverse forms of worldwide interconnection, including economic ties, political ties, and ecological ties. A study of how global interdependencies and inequalities link the fates of people around the planet and how "Globalization" is a form of political discourse that shapes policy-making and alters how lives are lived globally.

Prerequisite: SYG 2000.

SYD 3410 Urban Sociology 3 Credits

Grading Scheme: Letter Grade

The development of cities and their spatial and social structure. Critical problems and solutions. Integration of people in the social setting. Social implications of city planning. (S and N)

Prerequisite: SYG 2000 or department permission.

Attributes: General Education - International, General Education - Social Science

SYD 3700 Sociology of Race and Racism in the U.S. 3 Credits

Grading Scheme: Letter Grade

Sociological analysis of the structure, social processes, and efforts to construct race and racial inequality in the U.S.

Attributes: General Education - Diversity, General Education - Social Science

SYD 3805 Gender and Health 3 Credits

Grading Scheme: Letter Grade

Examines gender differences and similarities in health and illness in the United States. Uses a broad focus on health and illness across the life course and integrates social and biomedical determinants of health.

SYD 4020 Population 3 Credits

Grading Scheme: Letter Grade

Characteristics and trends in the populations of the contemporary world. Historical and current growth patterns related to resource conservation, food production and modernization in various regions of the world. (S and N)

Attributes: General Education - International, General Education - Social Science

SYD 4021 U.S. Population Issues 3 Credits

Grading Scheme: Letter Grade

Introduces major issues related to U.S. population size, growth and composition. Covers historical and contemporary population issues and introduces basic demographic measures and sources of data.

SYD 4510 Environment and Society 3 Credits

Grading Scheme: Letter Grade

Social foundations of environmental problems and social responses to environmental issues, including contestation, conflicts and movements.

SYD 4701 Nationalism and Ethnicity in Europe 3 Credits

Grading Scheme: Letter Grade

Comparative study of the roles played by nationalism and ethnic identity in modern Europe. (S and N)

Attributes: General Education - International, General Education - Social Science

SYD 4800 Sociology of Gender 3 Credits

Grading Scheme: Letter Grade

Examines the social construction of gender in everyday life; how gender structures social institutions such as the economy and mass media; and how gender shapes the distribution of resources, power and privilege in ways that benefit men over women. (S and D)

Attributes: General Education - Diversity, General Education - Social Science

SYD 4808 Reproduction and Gender 3 Credits

Grading Scheme: Letter Grade

Examines contemporary reproductive issues in the U.S. How culture and social structures shape the reproductive realm and how the social psychology of individuals' influence their reproductive experiences. (S and D)

Attributes: General Education - Diversity, General Education - Social Science

SYD 4820 Men and Masculinities 3 Credits**Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Focuses on issues related to traditional and emerging images of masculinity in the past, present and future. Emphasizes relationships between social forces and males' everyday life experiences across the life-span. (S and D)

Attributes: General Education - Diversity, General Education - Social Science**SYG 2000 Principles of Sociology 3 Credits****Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Introduces sociology as a social science and analysis of American society. Culture, socialization, deviance, bureaucracy, population, urbanization, social stratification, minorities and other topics. (S)

Attributes: General Education - Social Science**SYG 2010 Social Problems 3 Credits****Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

The development, analysis and treatment of social problems. Crime, poverty, prejudice and discrimination, pollution and environmental despoliation, drug abuse and mental illness. Emphasizes factors in U.S. society that cause social problems. (S)

Attributes: General Education - Social Science**SYG 2430 Marriage and Family 3 Credits****Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Development of masculine and feminine roles. Recent changes in premarital interaction, such as dating, sexual involvement, coed dorm living, living together. Mutual adjustment and parenthood. Alternative family structures. (S and D)

Attributes: General Education - Diversity, General Education - Social Science**SYG 4956 Overseas Studies 1-18 Credits****Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Provides a mechanism by which coursework taken as part of an approved study abroad program can be recorded on the UF transcript and counted toward graduation.

Prerequisite: undergraduate advisor permission.**SYO 3534 Poverty 3 Credits****Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

The social, cultural, economic, political and psychological implications of being poor. Sources of poverty in the structure and operation of society and the consequences of poverty for society. Current and feasible policies for easing the problem in the contemporary United States with reference to its past and to other nations, both developed and underdeveloped.

Prerequisite: SYG 2000.**SYO 4102 American Families 3 Credits****Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

The impact of rapid social changes upon families, including race, class and ethnic variations. The liberation of women and changing family roles. Alternative life styles and the futures of families.

Prerequisite: SYG 2000.**SYO 4200 Sociology of Religion 3 Credits****Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

The sociological perspective on religions, including religious ideologies and rituals. Social aspects of the religious and religious aspects of the social. Organized religions and religions. (S and N)

Prerequisite: SYG 2000.**Attributes:** General Education - International, General Education - Social Science**SYO 4300 Political Sociology 3 Credits****Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Applies sociological analysis to political themes in a comparative context. (S)

Prerequisite: SYG 2000.**Attributes:** General Education - Social Science**SYO 4400 Medical Sociology 3 Credits****Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

Effects of group characteristics in the causation, amelioration and prevention of mental and physical illness and social influences in medical education, medical practice and hospital administration.

Prerequisite: refer to the department.**SYO 4403 Sociol Envntmt Hlth 3 Credits****Grading Scheme:** Letter Grade

SYO 4530 Social Inequality 3 Credits

Grading Scheme: Letter Grade

The unequal distribution among individuals and groups of wealth, power and prestige; the effect of class systems upon society; the effect of class membership on individuals; social mobility. (S and D)

Prerequisite: SYG 2000.

Attributes: General Education - Diversity, General Education - Social Science

SYO 4540 Organizations 3 Credits

Grading Scheme: Letter Grade

The behavior of individuals and systems in formal organizations and bureaucratic models: government, hospitals, churches, schools, industry as manifestations of a common principle.

Prerequisite: 12 credits of sociology or the equivalent foundations in education administration, industrial and systems engineering, management or political science.

SYP 3000 Society and the Individual 3 Credits

Grading Scheme: Letter Grade

Relation of the individual to the social environment with special reference to person perception, self-formation, self-disclosure, attitude formation and change, and group structure and processes. Social forces that shape the lives of individuals and how individuals adjust to modern society. (S)

Prerequisite: SYG 2000.

Attributes: General Education - Social Science

SYP 3510 Deviance 3 Credits

Grading Scheme: Letter Grade

Introduces the sociology of deviance: the definition of deviance; types of deviant behavior such as suicide, drugs and alcohol abuse, sexual deviance, deviant subcultures and violence; differential labeling and institutional processing; and implications of social control. (S)

Attributes: General Education - Social Science

SYP 4060 Sociology of Human Sexuality 3 Credits

Grading Scheme: Letter Grade

Theoretical and conceptual issues, empirical research and social policies germane to human sexuality in the U.S. Topics include sexual identity and orientation; sexual behavior; social control of sexuality; social implications of STDs and HIV/AIDS; and the relationship between sexuality and the socio-political process.

Prerequisite: SYG 2000.

SYP 4520 Criminology 3 Credits

Grading Scheme: Letter Grade

Nature and causes of crime, criminality and criminal careers. Research in crime and delinquency. Sociological analysis of criminal law, criminal justice, rehabilitation, punishment, prevention and deterrence.

Prerequisite: SYG 2000.

SYP 4730 Sociology of Aging and Life Course 3 Credits

Grading Scheme: Letter Grade

Social and personal conditions of post-retirement years; family and housing patterns; income, leisure, health and group processes; evaluating institutional care for the aged. (S and D)

Attributes: General Education - Diversity, General Education - Social Science
