Sociology, Social Work, and Criminology

Mission

The four programs in the Department are interconnected. The Department contributes to the mission of the College of Arts and Letters by encouraging collaboration with other departments and programs within the College. The Department concentrates on research, theory, and service in regard to the community. The community plays a pivotal role in the life of individuals and it serves as a platform from which to study health and illness, diversity and social hierarchies, and criminal justice. The focus on community issues enables us to showcase the usefulness of sociology at the graduate and undergraduate levels; to create a niche for social work, particularly in the areas of child welfare, gerontology, and sexual diversity; and to find a pivotal role for criminal justice by emphasizing rehabilitation and reintegration of offenders into the community. The agenda of the DHHS Healthy People 2020 serves as concrete guideline for conducting qualitative and quantitative research, theory building, and the generation of external funding.

The Department of Sociology, Social Work and Criminology offers courses leading to the Associate of Arts degree in criminology, the Bachelor of Arts degree in sociology or social work, the Bachelor of Arts degree in sociology with a concentration in criminology, the Master in Social Work degree, and the Master of Arts in Sociology. For a full description of the graduate degrees, refer to the Graduate Catalog (http://coursecat.isu.edu/graduate). The department also houses the interdisciplinary Minor in Gender and Sexuality Studies.

Faculty

Chair and Associate Professor


Associate Professors


Williams, D.J.,* Associate Professor, Social Work. B.S. 1992, Weber State University; M.S. 1998, University of Utah; M.S.W. 2000, University of Utah; Ph.D. 2004, University of Alberta, Canada. (2006)

Assistant Professors

Caputo-Levine, Deirdre. Assistant Professor, Sociology. B.S. 1999, State University of New York at Stony Brook; M.A. 2008, State University of New York at Stony Brook; Ph.D. 2015, State University of New York at Stony Brook. (2016)


Lee, Justin. Assistant Professor, Social Work. B.S. 2005, Brigham Young University; M.S.W. 2007, Eastern Washington University; Ph.D. 2012, Virginia Commonwealth University (2016)


Research Assistant Professor


Emeriti

Aho, James A.,* Professor, Sociology, Social Work and Criminal Justice. 1969-2010


Pierson, Donald S.,* Professor, Sociology, Social Work and Criminal Justice. 1985-2011

Admission to the Social Work Program

Application for admission to the Social Work Program is required of all students desiring to progress toward a social work major. Admission to the Social Work Program is competitive. Students may apply to the major at the completion of the sophomore year and after completing or with current enrollment in required prerequisite Objectives and courses.

The following criteria must be met for an applicant to be eligible for consideration for admission to the social work major:

1. Completion of a minimum of 58 credit hours with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.75 for the semester at the time of application.

2. Completion of or with current enrollment in the following courses: ENGL 1102 (partially satisfies General Education Objective 1), SOC 2248 (satisfies General Education Objective 7), PSYC 1101 (partially satisfies General Education Objective 5), SOC 1101 (partially satisfies General Education Objective 6), SOWK 2271, SOWK 2272, and MATH 1153 (satisfies General Education Objective 3). All the required courses for admission have to be passed with a minimum grade of “C”.

3. Completion of the Application for admission to the Social Work Major including a $30 application fee, a three to five-page typed statement explaining why you would like to be a social worker and why you might be a good fit for the Social Work Program at Idaho State University, and a copy of your DegreeWorks transcript. See application information and further details, at http://www.isu.edu/sociology/socialwork/index.shtml.

4. Students must have a background check performed. Please go to the program website for specific requirements. The cost to the student is approximately $45. The criminal history check must be “in progress” or completed before application is submitted.
Application Deadline
The above admission materials must be completed and submitted to the Social Work Program prior to February 15 for fall semester admission, and prior to October 1 for Spring semester admission.

The Social Work Program does not grant credit for previous life or work experience.

All social work majors are required to meet the above standards before they may enroll in upper division social work courses (those numbered 3000 and above). Pre-social work students enrolled in required upper division courses without admission to the major will be withdrawn until major admission requirements have been met.

Admission to the Senior Field Courses
Admission to the senior field courses (SOWK 4476-SOWK 4477) is contingent upon completion of the following:

a. Completion of SOC 3308/SOWK 3308, SOC 3309, SOWK 3372, SOWK 3373, and SOWK 4471;
b. Maintenance of GPA to senior year at the 2.75 level;
c. Submission of form applying for senior field experience;
d. Interview by program senior field placement coordinator prior to notification of field agencies.

Bachelor of Arts in Sociology
Sociology deals with social institutions, activities, and patterns of behavior of diverse groups. The challenge for sociologists is to sort out trends and to find ways to resolve the conflicts between groups of people. The sociology major provides students with background in the basic theoretical, research, and substantive areas of the discipline. The field of sociology leads to an understanding of the social forces impinging upon one’s life and can lead to careers in many diverse settings.

Sociology majors must attain a grade of "C-" or better in all required and elective courses.

Students completing the Bachelor of Arts must complete 8 of the 9 General Education Objectives (a minimum of 36 credits–see the General Education Requirements (http://coursecat.isu.edu/undergraduate/academicinformation/ generaleducation) described in the Academic Information section of this catalog.)

Required Courses for Graduation

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1 In addition to the required courses, students are expected to complete 18 credit hours from any of the remaining courses in the Sociology curriculum excluding SOC 4482. Fifteen (15) of the elective credit hours must be upper division.

Recommended electives that will satisfy or partially satisfy General Education Requirements

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Minor in Sociology

Required Courses

SOC 1101 Introduction to Sociology (partially satisfies General Education Objective 6) 3
SOC 3301 Classical Social Theory 3
SOC/SOWK 3308 Sociological Methods and Social Work Research 3
SOC 4462 Power Class and Prestige 3

Elective Courses 1

Total Credits 21

1 With the approval of a Department of Sociology faculty member, the student shall select nine credit hours from any of the electives listed for the sociology major.

Bachelor of Arts in Social Work

The Social Work Program is accredited by the Council on Social Work Education at the Baccalaureate level. As such it provides students with a generalist framework for beginning professional social work practice. Social workers help individuals, families, groups, and communities meet basic human needs and enhance the quality of life.

General Education Requirements

Students completing the Bachelor of Arts must complete 8 of the 9 General Education Objectives (a minimum of 36 credits—see the General Education Requirements (http://coursecat.isu.edu/undergraduate/academicinformation/generaleducation) described in the Academic Information section of this catalog).

Social Work Requirements

BIOL 1100 Concepts Biology Human Concerns and Concepts Biology Human Concerns Lab (partially satisfies General Education Objective 5) 4
ENGL 1102 Critical Reading and Writing (partially satisfies General Education Objective 1) 3
MATH 1153 Introduction to Statistics (satisfies General Education Objective 3) 3
PSYC 1101 Introduction to General Psychology (partially satisfies General Education Objective 6) 3
PSYC 3301 Abnormal Psychology I 3
SOC 1101 Introduction to Sociology (partially satisfies General Education Objective 6) 3
SOC 2248 Critical Analysis of Social Diversity (satisfies General Education Objective 7) 3
SOWK 2271 Introduction to Social Work 3
SOWK 2272 Human Behavior and the Social Environment 3
SOC/SOWK 3308 Sociological Methods and Social Work Research 3
SOC 3309 Social Statistics 3
SOWK 3372 Practice with Individuals and Families 3
SOWK 3373 Group Work 3
SOWK 3375 Advanced Social Work Theory and Practice 3
SOWK 4471 Social Welfare Policy 3
SOWK 4476 Social Work Field Practicum I 6
SOWK 4477 Social Work Field Practicum II 6
SOWK 4494 Community Organization and Social Change 3
SOWK 4498 Integration of Social Work Methods 3
Upper-Division SOC, SOWK, or PSYC courses 6

Note: Upper division courses are those numbered 3000-4999. Social Work students must attain a C or better in departmental and Social Work requirements.

Associate of Arts in Criminology

In their second semester, students need to choose an advisor in the Criminology Program.

Students completing the Associate of Arts must complete 8 of the 9 General Education Objectives (a minimum of 36 credits - see the General Education Requirements (http://coursecat.isu.edu/undergraduate/academicinformation/generaleducation) in the Academic Information section of this catalog).

Required Courses

SOC 1101 Introduction to Sociology (partially satisfies General Education Objective 6) 3
SOC 2231 Juvenile Delinquency 3
SOC 2248 Critical Analysis of Social Diversity (satisfies General Education Objective 7) 3
SOC 2295 Criminal Justice Internship 4
SOC 3310 Introduction to Criminal Justice 3
SOC 4431 Criminology 3

Electives Courses

Complete 9 credits from the following

POLS 2249 Introduction to Criminal Law
PSYC 2205 Human Sexuality
PSYC 2225 Child Development
or PSYC 3301 Abnormal Psychology I
SOC 4436 Elite Deviance and Crime
SOC 4438 Sexual Crimes
SOC 4492 Topics in Criminal Justice 1

1 This course may be repeated with different content.

Credit Requirements for Graduation:

General Education Requirements 36
Associate of Arts in Criminology 2 22-28
Electives 2 0-2
Total Credits 60

2 Six (6) of the 28 major credits may double-count as General Education thereby requiring up to two (2) additional elective credits to reach 60 total credits.

Minor in Gender and Sexuality Studies

The program in Gender and Sexuality Studies promotes an interdisciplinary approach to learning that emphasizes gender and sexuality as essential components in an understanding of our past, present, and future. Grounded in
contemporary scholarship, Gender and Sexuality Studies provides students with innovative perspectives from which to analyze and assess familiar subjects. Critical and analytical skills are developed and honed as students identify and contextualize profound connections between gender, sexuality, one’s assigned roles and statuses, and one’s access to social, economic, and political power.

Gender and Sexuality Studies supports Idaho State University’s mission to create an effective and efficient learning environment that serves students of various ages, abilities, needs, and backgrounds. It enhances intellectual growth and complements the degree major by broadening academic knowledge bases and by developing a wide range of skills applicable in a variety of post-graduation settings.

The undergraduate interdisciplinary minor in Gender and Sexuality Studies consists of 18 credits of courses in gender and sexuality topics offered by various departments and approved by the director of Gender and Sexuality Studies.

The Gender and Sexuality Studies office is located in the Department of Sociology, Social Work, and Criminal Justice, Liberal Arts Room LA 307 (208-282-2170).

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<td>Sexuality and the Body</td>
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**Elective Courses**

Complete 6 credits from the following list of electives:

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**Total Credits**

1 Students may take up to 4 credits of SOC 4482 Sociology Internship and up to 4 credits of SOC 4483 Independent Problems in Sociology if they fulfill the requirements for these courses.

Students can select alternative elective courses with approval of the director of Gender and Sexuality Studies.

**Social Work Courses**

**SOWK 2271 Introduction to Social Work: 3 semester hours.**

Introductory overview and history of the social work profession within the social welfare system, and introduction to the generalist model of practice in social work. Attention is given to micro, mezzo, and macro levels of practice as social workers may work with individuals, families, groups or communities. Students will examine their own beliefs and values and their social, cultural, and historical positioning, and how these forces influence interactions with potential clients. Students will be introduced to ethics, values and standards of the social work profession. Throughout the course, students will be encouraged to apply critical thinking skills to class material. F, S

**SOWK 2272 Human Behavior and the Social Environment: 3 semester hours.**

Conceptual frameworks and issues in human behavior and development across the lifespan, with attention given to the concept of person in the environment as a framework for understanding individual behavior as a function of bio-psycho-social-spiritual processes and interactions. Substantial information on human diversity and at-risk populations, including issues pertaining to racial and ethnic groups, and gender and sexual orientations. F, S

**SOWK 2299 Experimental Course: 1-3 semester hours.**

This course is not described in the catalog. The course title and number of credits are announced in the class schedule by the scheduling department. Experimental courses may be offered no more than three times.

**SOWK 3308 Sociological Methods and Social Work Research: 3 semester hours.**

Introduces the principles and procedures of scientific research and includes a variety of strategies and tools for studying social phenomena. Equivalent to SOC 3308. PREREQ: C in SOC 1101. F

**SOWK 3372 Practice with Individuals and Families: 3 semester hours.**

Examines micro level systems within the generalist social work framework. Theoretical frameworks for use with individuals and families as well as interviewing and problem-resolution methods will be covered. Students will utilize a generalist skill base in learning to engage, assess, intervene and evaluate individuals and families. PREREQ: Admission to Social Work Major. F, S

**SOWK 3373 Group Work: 3 semester hours.**

Mezzo level systems within the generalist social work framework. Group theory, process, dynamics, and practice applications will be covered. Students will use a generalist skill base in learning to engage, assess, intervene, and evaluate small group systems. PREREQ: SOWK 3372. F, S

**SOWK 3375 Advanced Social Work Theory and Practice: 3 semester hours.**

Expansion of theory and practice concepts introduced in SOWK 2272 and used in social work practice courses. The relationship between social work theory and practice is explored for the purpose of increasing depth of understanding and generalization of knowledge. Focus will be on application of theory in building skills necessary for competency including written and oral communication skills, using research evidence to inform practice, and critiquing and utilizing major theoretical frameworks to guide the processes of engagement, assessment, intervention, and evaluation. S

**SOWK 3399 Experimental Course: 1-6 semester hours.**

The content of this course is not described in the catalog. Title and number of credits are announced in the Class Schedule. Experimental courses may be offered no more than three times with the same title and content. May be repeated.

**SOWK 4417 Interdisciplinary Evaluation Team: 1 semester hour.**


**SOWK 4436 Elite Deviance and Crime: 3 semester hours.**

Explores the types of criminal behaviors engaged in by the American socioeconomic and corporate elite. The course first explores and identifies who this elite is and then examines their ideological and economic history in American society. Specific examples of elite and corporate crime are presented and discussed in class. Equivalent to SOC 4436 and POLS 4436. F
SOWK 4438 Sexual Crimes: 3 semester hours.
Complex relationships of human sexuality to law and crime. A range of sexual attitudes, practices and lifestyles will be discussed in the context of cultural norms, legal parameters and personal expression. Students will be introduced to cultural variations in defining and addressing sexuality and crime. Current theoretical explanations of sexual offending and U.S. social policies and clinical interventions for sexual offenders. Equivalent to SOC 4438. S

SOWK 4471 Social Welfare Policy: 3 semester hours.
Examine social policies created as society's strategy for addressing social concerns such as unemployment, poverty, and mental illness. Students will critically evaluate programs and policies in order to develop skills to advance social and economic justice and to deliver effective social work services. PREREQ: Admission to Social Work Major. F

SOWK 4476 Social Work Field Practicum I: 6 semester hours.
Placement within a social service agency under direct supervision of a licensed social worker for a minimum of 200 hours and a weekly on-campus seminar. Functions as an entry level opportunity for the student to apply professional values, knowledge and skills. Seminar permits discussion and reflection upon this field experience and serves an integrative function for linking theory to applied practice. PREREQ: SOC 3308/SOWK 3308, SOWK 3372, SOWK 3373, SOC 3309, and SOWK 4471. (For Spring Only: COREQ: SOWK 4477.) F, S

SOWK 4477 Social Work Field Practicum II: 6 semester hours.
Continuation of senior field practicum experience consisting of placement within a social service agency under direct supervision of a licensed social worker for a minimum of 200 hours and a weekly on-campus seminar. Students will refine and utilize professional values, knowledge and skills. Seminar permits discussion and reflection upon this field experience and serves an integrative function for linking theory to applied practice. PREREQ: SOC 3308/SOWK 3308, SOWK 3372, SOWK 3373, SOC 3309, and SOWK 4471. PREREQ or COREQ: SOWK 4476. COREQ: SOWK 4498. F, S

SOWK 4482 Independent Problems: 1-6 semester hours.
Consultation course. May be repeated for up to 6 credits. PREREQ: 12 credits in Social Work and permission of instructor. D

SOWK 4484 Title IV-E Scholar Seminar: 1 semester hour.
Professional competencies required for social work practice in foster care and adoption assistance programs, to prepare students for career advancement in public child welfare, and to prepare students for child welfare practice addressed by Title IV-E of the Social Security Act. PREREQ: Permission of instructor. COREQ: SOWK 4476 or SOWK 4477. D

SOWK 4485 Grief and Loss for the Helping Professional: 3 semester hours.
Prepares students to work with clients experiencing grief and loss issues stemming from a variety of loss experiences including death, physical health changes, trauma, and life transitions. Includes the philosophical, cultural, medical, psychological, and spiritual aspects of grieving and loss; the grief process and factors to consider in working with children, adolescents, and adults; and assessment of complicated grief reactions. D

SOWK 4486 Family Issues for the Helping Professional: 3 semester hours.
Advanced course focusing on understanding families and family issues. Explore techniques for assessment and intervention drawn from various current theories. Special focus on at-risk youth and the effects on family dynamics. D

SOWK 4487 Child Welfare Issues: 3 semester hours.
An exploration of the many facets of child welfare, including factors impacting the well-being of children and their families on a local and global level, such as governmental policies and societal values regarding child welfare, social issues that affect children, available services for children, and social work intervention strategies.

SOWK 4491 Seminar: 3 semester hours.
Topical reading, discussion, exploration, experience, and demonstration of learning on selected topics. May be repeated for up to 9 credits with different content. D

SOWK 4494 Community Organization and Social Change: 3 semester hours.
Advanced focus on community and organizational structure and function. Uses the generalist model of social work with macro level systems including building knowledge and skills focusing on social action and social change. Specific attention is given to helping students develop necessary skills to engage, assess, intervene and evaluate with organizations and communities (macro level) effectively. PREREQ: SOWK 3372. F

SOWK 4498 Integration of Social Work Methods: 3 semester hours.
Comprehensive review and synthesis of all social work content areas within the generalist framework including ethics, critical thinking, diversity, human rights, social and economic justice, research, HBSE, policy and practice. Preparation for Social Work licensure test as well as special topics depending on student need and interests are also covered. PREREQ: SOWK 3308, SOWK 3372, SOWK 3373, SOC 3309, and SOWK 4471. COREQ: SOWK 4477. F, S

SOWK 4499 Experimental Course: 1-6 semester hours.
This course is not described in the catalog. The course title and number of credits are announced in the class schedule by the scheduling department. Experimental courses may be offered no more than three times.

Sociology Courses

SOC 1101 Introduction to Sociology: 3 semester hours.
Introduction to the scientific point of view in the study of group life, social institutions, and processes. Partially satisfies Objective 6 of the General Education Requirements. F, S

SOC 1102 Social Problems: 3 semester hours.
Theoretical analyses and application of research to selected current social issues and social institutions such as politics, economics, education, medicine, families, the military, crime and corrections, religion and related major social forces. Partially satisfies Objective 6 of the General Education Requirements. F, S

SOC 2201 Introduction to Gender and Sexuality Studies: 3 semester hours.
This course will examine gender and sexuality from a sociological perspective. It will focus on the socio-cultural meanings of femininity and masculinity and how these intersect with race, ethnicity, class, sexuality, age and other aspects of identity. This course will also consider how incorporating the concept of gender into theories of human life can help explain broader social processes, and the ways in which our social conceptualization of gender change over time. Satisfies Objective 9 of the General Education Requirements. F, S

SOC 2231 Juvenile Delinquency: 3 semester hours.
Theories of delinquency, criminal behavior, and law enforcement in relation to the modern social institutions in American culture. F, S

SOC 2248 Critical Analysis of Social Diversity: 3 semester hours.
Critical analysis of historical and contemporary issues and debates surrounding social categories such as race, class, gender, ethnicity, religion, and sexuality. Students will utilize and assess various sociological theories and will critically examine how social diversity affects and is affected by other social and cultural dynamics. Satisfies Objective 7 of the General Education Requirements. F, S

SOC 2295 Criminal Justice Internship: 1-4 semester hours.
Required reading assignments and daily journal to be completed. Maximum of four credits per semester. May be repeated for up to 6 credits. PREREQ: Permission of instructor. F, S, Su

SOC 2299 Experimental Course: 1-6 semester hours.
This course is not described in the catalog. The course title and number of credits are announced in the class schedule by the scheduling department. Experimental courses may be offered no more than three times.
SOC 3301 Classical Social Theory: 3 semester hours.
A survey of the foundation of sociological thought from the Enlightenment to 1945. The focus is on the recurring themes in sociology and the importance of classical theory to understanding contemporary sociological theory and current social issues. PREREQ: SOC 1101. D

SOC 3308 Sociological Methods and Social Work Research: 3 semester hours.
Introduces the principles and procedures of scientific research and includes a variety of strategies and tools for studying social phenomena. Equivalent to SOWK 3308. PREREQ: SOC 1101. F

SOC 3309 Social Statistics: 3 semester hours.
A survey of statistical techniques focusing on descriptive statistics, hypothesis testing and correlations. Students work in computer labs and use software for statistical analysis commonly used in the social sciences to produce descriptive and summary statistics for large data sets. PREREQ: C in MATH 1153. S

SOC 3310 Introduction to Criminal Justice: 3 semester hours.
Introduction to Criminal Justice will introduce students to the historical background, important trends, and emerging issues in criminal justice. Students will learn about core topics in criminal justice-including policing, corrections, and criminal law and courts, as well as special topics such as hate crimes, sex offenders, and domestic violence-while learning how to solve problems they are likely to face in a variety of criminal justice career paths. F

SOC 3321 Sociology of the Family: 3 semester hours.
Examination of the family as a social institution shaped by larger social structures. The course introduces students to basic concepts and theories, historical perspectives, facts, and processes of family formation and dissolution. D

SOC 3330 Sociology of Health and Illness: 3 semester hours.
Sociological examination of health and illness including historical and cultural variations, health care and physician-patient issues. S

SOC 3335 Environmental Sociology: 3 semester hours.
The scientific study of how human societies interact with, shape, and perceive their physical environments. D

SOC 3366 The Community: 3 semester hours.
Examines selected theories of community origins, characteristics, structures, boundaries, and change. Analyze methods of studying various aspects of communities. F

SOC 3368 The Sociology of Religion: 3 semester hours.
Contemporary issues as they relate to religion. The relationship of religion to other social institutions. Religious experience and mysticism. Prophecy and its routinization. Cults and religious dissent. F

SOC 3399 Experimental Course: 1-6 semester hours.
This course is not described in the catalog. The course title and number of credits are announced in the class schedule by the scheduling department. Experimental courses may be offered no more than three times. May be repeated.

SOC 4402 Proseminar in Sociology: 3 semester hours.
An overview of the field of sociology, with emphasis on the teaching of sociology, orientation to graduate education, major sociological theories, issues, research approaches, and ethical problems in the field. PREREQ: Permission of instructor. D

SOC 4403 Contemporary Social Theory: 3 semester hours.
Survey and appraisal of sociological theories since 1945: structural functionalism, rational choice, conflict, symbolic interactionism, and phenomenology. PREREQ: SOC 3301. S

SOC 4408 Advanced Sociological Methods: 3 semester hours.
Emphasizes advanced techniques in research design, data measurement, and multivariate analysis utilizing computer application. PREREQ: SOC/ SOWK 3308 and SOC 3309. AS

SOC 4412 Sexuality and the Body: 3 semester hours.
This course explores the social construction of sexuality and the body. Students will examine how sexuality and the body function as both literal and symbolic sites of political discourse and how sexuality and the body illuminate, accommodate, resist, and transform the machinations of social power. S

SOC 4413 Mind Body and Society: 3 semester hours.
Symbolic interaction and its relation to selfhood, sympathy, illness, sexuality, and addiction; and to groupings like enemies, communities, and associations. D

SOC 4431 Criminology: 3 semester hours.
Analysis of criminal law, law enforcement, judicial roles and processes, correctional approaches, the criminal offender and societal reactions. Theory and research as applicable to behavior and institutional relations. S

SOC 4436 Elite Deviance and Crime: 3 semester hours.
Explores the types of criminal behaviors engaged in by the American socioeconomic and corporate elite. The course first explores and identifies who this elite is and then examines their ideological and economic history in American society. Specific examples of elite and corporate crime are presented and discussed in class. Equivalent to POLS 4436 and SOWK 4436. F

SOC 4438 Sexual Crimes: 3 semester hours.
Complex relationships of human sexuality to law and crime. A range of sexual attitudes, practices and lifestyles will be discussed in the context of cultural norms, legal parameters and personal expression. Students will be introduced to cultural variations in defining and addressing sexuality and crime. Current theoretical explanations of sexual offending and U.S. social policies and clinical interventions for sexual offenders. Equivalent to SOWK 4438. S

SOC 4442 Power Class and Prestige: 3 semester hours.
Theories and methodology of status systems; the relation of class to the social structure; analysis of class in different societies, with emphasis upon the class system and power. PREREQ: SOC 1101 or permission of instructor. S

SOC 4482 Sociology Internship: 1-3 semester hours.
Apply sociological principles in such ways as assisting the supervising professor with a lower-level course, conducting study groups, or small group instruction. Credit not applicable toward the major. May be repeated for up to 6 credits. PREREQ: Permission of instructor; junior status; minimum of 12 hours and 3.0 GPA in Sociology. D

SOC 4483 Independent Problems in Sociology: 1-4 semester hours.
Readings, observations, applied work, or data analysis in content area not offered in our curriculum. May be repeated for up to 6 credits. PREREQ: Permission of the instructor; advanced junior status; minimum of 12 hours and 3.0 GPA in Sociology. D

SOC 4491 Topics in Sociology: 3 semester hours.
Readings, discussion, and preparation of reports on selected topics. May be repeated with different content. D

SOC 4492 Topics in Criminal Justice: 3 semester hours.
Readings, discussion, and preparation of reports on selected topics. May be repeated with different content. D

SOC 4499 Experimental Course: 1-3 semester hours.
This course is not described in the catalog. The course title and number of credits are announced in the class schedule by the scheduling department. Experimental courses may be offered no more than three times.