

# SOCIAL SCIENCE (SS)

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## Courses

### SS-150 INTRODUCTION TO THE SOCIAL SCIENCES 3 Credits

The social sciences affect our everyday life through school, government, and business. This course introduces the student to this complex and influential field of knowledge and its uses. Students will investigate social problems of global concern, such as crime, population growth, human rights, and other concerns. Pre-requisite: ENGL-101 or ENGL-109.

### SS-184 DIVERSITY IN ORGANIZATIONS 3 Credits

This course is designed to increase awareness and appreciation for the diversity that exists in contemporary American organizations. Students will explore historical and contemporary experiences from perspectives of both women and men of diverse races, ethnicities, social class, religions, sexual orientation, ages and abilities focusing on how those perspectives effect human relations in the workplace. Students will be encouraged to develop a critical consciousness and explore ways to eliminate negative stereotyping and discrimination that often leads to unequal treatment in organizations. Cross-listed with HRPT-184.

### SS-185 HUMAN RELATIONS IN ORGANIZATIONS 3 Credits

Introduces students to the complexities of human interaction within contemporary organizations, offering strategies for coping and succeeding by utilizing perspective-taking while examining reality-based situations existing in today's workplace. Four major units within this course deal with: team-building, leading, conflict management (including how to deal with hostile work environment issues such as sexual harassment), and change management (both organizationally and individually) and how these issues impact organizational culture and individual behavior. Cross-listed with HRPT-185.

### SS-190 DIRECTED STUDY IN SOCIAL SCIENCE 1-12 Credits

### SS-192 SPECIAL TOPICS IN SOCIAL SCIENCE 1-12 Credits

### SS-193 SERVICE LEARNING 1-12 Credits

### SS-200 INTRODUCTION TO WOMENS STUDIES 3 Credits

Introduction to Women's Studies concentrates on understanding how women have both been shaped by and have shaped the world around them. By studying women's place and status in society, this course provides a critical lens through which to view the role of sex and gender in larger social forces through a variety of contexts. Pre-requisite: Any 100-level ANTH, HIST, POLS, SS or SOC course.

### SS-284 COMPUTER APPLICATIONS IN SOC SCIENCES 3 Credits

This course is an introduction to computer technology and its application to the Social Sciences. The course will be oriented towards research applications. Pre-requisite: ENGL-102 or ENGL-109.

### SS-290 DIRECTED STUDY IN SOCIAL SCIENCE 1-3 Credits

### SS-291 WORKSHOP IN SOCIAL SCIENCE 1-3 Credits

### SS-292 SPECIAL TOPICS IN SOCIAL SCIENCES 1-3 Credits

### SS-294 INTERNSHIP IN SOCIAL SCIENCE 12 Credits

### SS-295 PRACTICUM IN SOCIAL SCIENCE 1-12 Credits

### SS-299 RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIP 1-12 Credits

### SS-300 STATISTICAL METHODS 3 Credits

Survey of descriptive and inferential statistical concepts commonly used in the treatment of data in social science research. The understanding and application of the concepts will be emphasized. Topics include: measures of central tendency, measures of variability, correlation methods, hypothesis testing and simple analysis of variance. Pre-requisite: Core Math. Cross-listed with ECON-300, PSYC-300.

### SS-350 ETHICS: 3 Credits

The primary purpose of the integrative 350 core course is to develop interdisciplinary abilities in ethical clarification with reference to at least two major contemporary issues. The courses focus principally on ethical concerns. Topics include the following subjects: ANIMALS AND SOCIETY This course is an interdisciplinary introduction to the ethical dimensions of relationships between humans and non-human animals. Drawing on the works of philosophers, social scientists, and legal scholars, students will learn about the roles, moral standing, and treatment of animals in past and present societies. TERRORISM IN THE CONTEMPORARY ERA An interdisciplinary survey into the phenomena of political violence and terrorism is the core of this course. Historical, ethnic, religious, and ideological roots of terrorism are examined to put this behavior in sound, ethical perspectives with respect to the values of society and the goals of its perpetrators. WOMEN IN THE TWENTIETH CENTURY The ethical issues confronted by American women are examined by study of literary and historical texts as well as through their own writing. Pre-requisite: Completion of the skills component of the General Education Core or permission of the instructor. Cross-listed with HUM-350.

### SS-384 COMPUTERS AND SOCIAL SCIENCE 3 Credits

This course will examine advanced topics in the practical and ethical implications of computers in our society, as well as advanced usage of computers in the disciplines of social sciences.

**SS-385 RESEARCH METHODS 3 Credits**

Develops students' ability to design an empirical study within the ethical constraints of human research and to understand the results of research in professional journals. Specific research designs covered include archival research, experimental designs, naturalistic observation, participant observation, quasi-experimental designs, single subject designs, and survey research. Integrates (1) analytical and evaluative thinking, (2) descriptive, explanatory, and critical writing, and (3) basic knowledge of the theory and application of qualitative and quantitative research design. Pre-requisite: ENGL-102 or ENGL-109, and a total of 24 credit hours in the General Education Core, or instructor permission. Cross-listed with PSYC-385.

**SS-390 DIRECTED STUDY IN SOCIAL SCIENCE 1-3 Credits**

**SS-392 SPECIAL TOPICS IN SOCIAL SCIENCE 1-3 Credits**

**SS-393 SERVICE LEARNING 1-12 Credits**

**SS-394 INTERNSHIP IN SOCIAL SCIENCE 1-12 Credits**

**SS-399 RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIP 1-3 Credits**

**SS-490 DIRECTED STUDY IN SOCIAL SCIENCE 1-3 Credits**

**SS-491 WORKSHOP IN SOCIAL SCIENCE 1-3 Credits**

**SS-492 SPECIAL TOPICS IN SOCIAL SCIENCES 1-3 Credits**

**SS-494 INTERNSHIP IN SOCIAL SCIENCE 1-12 Credits**

**SS-495 PRACTICUM IN SOCIAL SCIENCE 1-12 Credits**

**SS-498 CONTEMPORARY NATIVE AMERICAN CULTURES 3 Credits**

Study and examination of Native Americans and situations facing their people in contemporary America.

**SS-499 SEMINAR IN SOCIAL SCIENCE AND HISTORY 3 Credits**

In this interdisciplinary capstone seminar, students will use skills and knowledge developed during their undergraduate tenure to explore a central topic through a variety of social science disciplinary lenses. Pre-requisites: : POLS-200/PHIL-200, and HIST-200 or SS-385. Junior class standing or higher required.