Descriptions – Social Science

Courses

223. World Urbanization: Human Consequences
   Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer, 4(4-0) S S 202, S S 212, S S 222 or S S 242 recommended; S S 222 preferred. The unity of urban life patterns and the emergence of modern-day urban problems. Cultural variations in approach to issues of comparative political, social, economic, ideological systems.

241. Cultures in Crisis
   Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer, 4(4-0) S S 202, S S 212, S S 222 or S S 242 recommended; S S 242 preferred. The nature and sources of social cohesion. Approaches to the modernization of traditional societies. Problems and alternative strategies of nation building.

242. Freedom and Justice
   Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer, 4(4-0) S S 201, S S 211, S S 221 or S S 241 recommended; S S 241 preferred. Ideologies of change in the modern world—sources, appeals, problems. Issues of social justice and individual freedom.

243. War and Morality
   Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer, 4(4-0) S S 202, S S 212, S S 222 or S S 242 recommended; S S 242 preferred. Social tensions and revolutionary change. The causes of war, international conflict and the great powers. Strategies for peace. Man’s conscience versus state policies.

300. Supervised Individual Study
   Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer, 2 to 4 credits. 8 credits completed in general education social science; approval of department. Selected students requesting individual study of interdisciplinary problems will work under supervision of University College professors. Variable elective credit will be determined when the student secures instructor, adviser, and department approval.

IDC. Modernization: India, Pakistan, Bangladesh
   For course description, see Interdisciplinary Courses.

IDC. Modernization: The Middle East
   For course description, see Interdisciplinary Courses.

IDC. Far East: Contemporary Issues and Problems
   For course description, see Interdisciplinary Courses.

IDC. Refugees, Displaced Persons, Hostages, Exiles
   For course description, see Interdisciplinary Courses.

SOCIAL SCIENCE

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491H. Perspectives in the Social Sciences and Humanities
   Fall, Winter, Spring. 2 to 6 credits. May repeat for a maximum of 12 credits if different topic is taken. Juniors, approval of Honors College, or approval of instructor. Interdepartmental with the colleges of Arts and Letters and Justice, Morality and administered by the College of Arts and Letters. An integration of subject matter and methodologies of several disciplines as they are relevant to particular topic areas.

495. Foreign Area Field Study
   Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer. 3 to 15 credits. May enroll for a maximum of 24 credits. Juniors and 12 credits in social science. Study in a variety of foreign settings under the guidance of an adviser, such as American University Field Study Centers in Rome and Singapore.

510. Introduction to Linear System Theory
   Fall, 3(3-0) MTH 214. Interdepartmental with and administered by Systems Science. A first course in system theory for students from a range of disciplines. Mathematical representation of system variables, transfer and state space method of analysis, introduction to control theory, applications to physical, economic and social systems.

511. System Methodology and Simulation
   Winter, 3(3-0) SYS 810, STT 441. Interdepartmental with and administered by Systems Science. Problem definition, design of abstract models for system design and control, simulation of systems described by differential and difference equations, generation of random variables, simulation of discrete object stochastic systems, simulation languages, applications to physical, economic and social systems.

513. System Project
   Spring, 3(1-6) SYS 811. Interdepartmental with and administered by Systems Science. Individual or team application of simulation methods to system design and/or management.

999. Research
   Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer. Variable credit. Approval of college.

SOCIAL WORK

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205. Contemporary Social Work
   Fall, Winter, Spring, 3(3-0) S W 228 and 3(3-0) S W 229. Role of the social worker in relation to social issues and human needs; social service programs, structures and functions of public and voluntary agencies in a changing society.

228. Marriage
   Fall, Winter, Spring, 4(4-0) S W 228 and 4(4-0) S W 229. Students may not receive credit in both S W 228 and 4(4-0) S W 229. Examination of marriage and the family, from a social work point of view. Consideration of such areas of adjustment as emotional, physical, social, financial, religious and legal.

322. Child Welfare
   Winter, Spring, 3(3-0) S W 322. Child welfare movement and contemporary children’s agencies and their services. Programs for improving home and for substitute care, safeguarding health, employment protection, delinquency prevention, and other needs of children and youth.

400H. Honors Work
   Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer. 1 to 16 credits. Juniors; approval of school. Study of a problem, phase or field of social work; seminar for particularly able students.

417. Minorities and Women in the World of Work
   Fall, Winter, Spring. 4(4-0) Senior majors or approval of department. Interdepartmental with the departments of Management and Social and Ethnic Studies and administered by the Department of Management. Racial, ethnic, sexual and other minority experiences and problems in the world of work. Awareness training approach (what it’s like to be . . .) featuring movies, guests, subgroup discussions and encounter-type exercises.

425. Dynamics of Marriage and Family Relations
   Winter, Spring, 3(3-0) Juniors. Analysis of post-marital interpersonal adjustment from standpoint of family social work. Includes current social changes affecting these relationships, and specialized services available to families.

430. Introduction to Transactional Analysis
   Winter, 3(3-0) Majors in Social Science, Education, Human Ecology, Communication; Juniors. Major concepts of transactional analysis for analyzing, predicting, and changing human behavior. Concepts are applied to social work practice and to other helping professions.

433. Social Work as a Profession I
   Fall, 3(3-0) Junior majors. Historical development and philosophical basis of social welfare policy in relation to methods for problem solving at individual, group and community levels.

434. Social Work as a Profession II
   Winter, 3(3-0) S W 433. Continuation of S W 433. Human reactions under stress; social work intervention through welfare organizations and social action.

435. Social Work as a Profession III
   Spring, 3(3-0) S W 434. Social welfare programs to meet human needs; social planning for services.

439. Interviewing in Social Welfare
   Fall, Winter, Spring. 3(1-4) Junior majors. Principles of interviewing as applied to social welfare. Related laboratory experience.

440. Social Work Intervention I
   Fall, 3(3-0) Senior majors, S W 447 concurrently. Intervention related to individuals and families based on application of social work and social science knowledge and utilization of interviewing techniques.

441. Social Work Intervention II
   Winter, 3(3-0) S W 440; S W 467 concurrently. Continuation of S W 440. Development of techniques in social work practice focused on the situational-environmental assessment of client.

442. Social Work Intervention III
   Spring, 3(3-0) S W 441; S W 467 concurrently. Continuation of S W 441. Advanced study of choice and utilization of intervention modes emphasizing social work conceptual framework for enhancement of client social functioning.