Social Science—SSC

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College of Social Science

101   Preview of Science
Fall. 1 credit. Interdepartmental with Natural Science; Agriculture and Natural Resources; Engineering. Administered by College of Natural Science. R: Approval of college. Overview of natural sciences. Transitional problems. Communications and computer skills. Problem-solving skills. Diversity and ethics problems in science. Science and society.

192   Environmental Issues Seminar
Fall, Spring. 1 credit. A student may earn a maximum of 4 credits in all enrollments for this course. Interdepartmental with Natural Science; Agriculture and Natural Resources; Engineering; Communication Arts and Sciences. Administered by College of Natural Science. R: Open only to students in the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources or College of Engineering or College of Natural Science or College of Communication Arts and Sciences or College of Social Science. Approval of college.

290   Selected Topics in Social Science
Fall, Spring. 1 to 3 credits. A student may earn a maximum of 6 credits in all enrollments for this course. Topics may cover contemporary, theoretical, or applied issues or interdisciplinary approaches.

291   Introduction to Asian Pacific American Studies
Fall. 1(1-0)
Issues that define the study of Asian Pacific American communities, including Asian Pacific American history, immigration, psychology, literature, family, women's issues, activism, politics, and community.

292   Applications in Environmental Studies
Fall. 2(1-2) Interdepartmental with Natural Science; Agriculture and Natural Resources; Engineering; Communication Arts and Sciences. Administered by College of Natural Science. P.M. (NSC 192) R: Open only to students in the Specialization in Environmental Studies.

Community engagement project. Projects vary depending on student's major and area of environmental interest.

390   Disease in Society: Introduction to Epidemiology and Public Health
Spring. 4(4-0) Interdepartmental with Epidemiology. Administered by Department of Epidemiology.

Human epidemiology and population health issues facing contemporary society. Developed and less-developed settings. Health-related information in the mass media and scholarly publications.

490   Special Topics in Social Science
Fall, Spring. Summer. 1 to 6 credits. A student may earn a maximum of 12 credits in all enrollments for this course. R: Open only to juniors or seniors or graduate students. Topics may cover contemporary, theoretical, or applied issues or interdisciplinary approaches.

493   Social Science Internship
Fall, Spring. Summer. 3 to 12 credits. A student may earn a maximum of 12 credits in all enrollments for this course. R: Open only to juniors or seniors in the College of Social Science. Approval of college.

Methods and concepts from social and behavioral sciences applied in career-related settings.

496   Field Study Abroad
Fall, Spring. Summer. 3 to 10 credits. A student may earn a maximum of 16 credits in all enrollments for this course. R: Open only to juniors or seniors. Approval of college.

Study abroad under MSU faculty supervision. Social behavior and processes in selected countries.

499   Directed Research in Interdisciplinary Studies in Social Science (W)
Fall, Spring. Summer. 3 credits. P.M: Completion of Tier I writing requirement. R: Open only to juniors or seniors in the Interdisciplinary Studies in Social Science major. Approval of college.

Directed individual and small group research under faculty supervision in the student's Interdisciplinary Concentration.

826   International Development and Sustainability
Fall. 3(3-0) Interdepartmental with Resource Development; Anthropology; Political Science; Forestry. Administered by Department of Community, Agriculture, Recreation and Resource Studies.

Environmental, economic, political, legal, management, and cultural components of sustainable development.

828   Food Safety Seminar Series
Fall, Spring. 1(1-0) Interdepartmental with Veterinary Medicine; Agriculture and Natural Resources; Natural Science. Administered by College of Veterinary Medicine. R: Enrollment in graduate program in related discipline

Selected current topics covering the broad areas of food safety as they relate to production, processing, transport, microbiology, toxicology, and social and human dimensions.

829   Problems in Food Safety
Fall. 1(1-0) Interdepartmental with Veterinary Medicine; Agriculture and Natural Resources; Natural Science. Administered by College of Veterinary Medicine. R: Enrollment in graduate program in related discipline.

In-depth discussion of selected problems in food safety.

890   Special Topics in Social Science
Fall, Spring. Summer. 1 to 6 credits. A student may earn a maximum of 16 credits in all enrollments for this course. R: Open only to graduate students. Topics may cover contemporary, theoretical, or applied issues or interdisciplinary approaches.

999   Doctoral Dissertation Research
Fall, Spring, Summer. 1 to 12 credits. A student may earn a maximum of 99 credits in all enrollments for this course. Doctoral dissertation research.

SOCIAL WORK   SW

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200   Introduction to Social Work
Fall, Spring. 3(3-0)
Social work practice, ethics, and values, in the context of social welfare policy in the United States.

290   Selected Topics in Social Work
Spring. 2 to 3 credits. A student may earn a maximum of 6 credits in all enrollments for this course.

Topics in social welfare, social policy, service delivery, research, theory, and practice. Basic social worker values and concepts.

310   Human Behavior and Social Environment
Fall. 3(3-0) P.M: (SOC 100 and PSY 101 and SW 200) and (PSY 200 or PSY 235 or PSY 236 or PSY 239 or PSY 244 or PSY 270 or PSY 280) and (ISB 204 or PSL 101 or PSL 290 or ZOL 341 or PSY 206) R: Open only to juniors or seniors in the School of Social Work.

General systems and ecological theories within the context of lifespan development as applied to social work.

320   Social Work and Social Policy I
Fall. 3(3-0) P.M: (SW 200 and PLS 100) and (EC 201 or EC 202) R: Open only to juniors or seniors in the School of Social Work.

History of social work and of public policy in welfare, health and civil rights. Roles of social work professionals in policy analysis, implementation and evaluation.

340   Foundations of Social Work Practice
Spring. 3(3-0) P.M: (SW 310 and SW 320) R: Open only to juniors or seniors in the School of Social Work.

Ethical and philosophical basis for generalist social work practice. Interviewing skills, assessment, and problem solving within an ecological-systems and developmental framework.

420   Social Work and Social Policy II
Fall. 3(3-0) P.M: (SW 340) R: Open only to juniors or seniors in the School of Social Work.

Application of social welfare policy to social work agencies. Current changes in welfare, health, and civil rights policy and their impact on social work clients. Diversity, social justice, and international policy issues.

430   Research Methods in Social Work I
Fall, Summer. 4(3-2) P.M: (MTH 106 or MTH 110 or MTH 114 or MTH 116 or MTH 124 or MTH 132 or MTH 201 or MTH 152H or STT 200 or STT 201) R: Open only to juniors or seniors or graduate students in the School of Social Work.

Research processes employing quantitative methods in the measurement of outcomes of social work intervention.

431   Research Methods in Social Work II
Spring, Summer. 3(3-0) P.M: (SW 430) R: Open only to juniors or seniors or graduate students in the School of Social Work.

Concepts and methodology for scientific evaluation of social work practice. Theory construction, research design, sampling, and data collection.
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440 Social Work Practice with Individuals, Families, and Groups (W)
Fall. 3(3-0) P:M: (SW 340) and completion of Tier I writing requirement. R: Open only to juniors or seniors in the School of Social Work. C: SW 494A concurrently. Social work intervention with individuals, families, and small groups.

441 Social Work Practice with Task Groups, Organizations and Communities
Spring. 3(3-0) P:M: (SW 444O) R: Open only to juniors or seniors in the School of Social Work. C: SW 494B concurrently. Planning and social intervention with task groups, organizations and communities.

470 Foreign Area Studies in Social Work
Fall, Spring, Summer. 2 to 12 credits. A student may earn a maximum of 12 credits in all enrollments for this course. R: Open only to juniors or seniors or graduate students in the School of Social Work. Social work issues in settings outside the continental U.S.A.

471 Child Welfare
Fall. 3(3-0) R: Open only to juniors or seniors or graduate students. Social work practice and policy approaches to intervention. Needs and problems of children from the prenatal period through infancy, childhood, and adolescence.

472 Social Work in Health Care
Fall. 3(3-0) R: Open only to juniors or seniors or graduate students. Psychosocial impact of illness and trauma. Social work practice in health care settings. Role of culture, values, and life style.

474 Substance Abuse and the Human Services
Spring of odd years. 3(3-0) R: Open only to juniors or seniors or graduate students. Theories, assessment, intervention, and service delivery models.

490 Independent Study in Social Work
Fall, Spring, Summer. 1 to 4 credits. A student may earn a maximum of 6 credits in all enrollments for this course. R: Open only to juniors or seniors. Approval of school required. Individual reading and research supervised by a Social Work faculty member.

490H Honors Independent Study
Fall, Spring, Summer. 1 to 12 credits. A student may earn a maximum of 12 credits in all enrollments for this course. R: Open only to Honors College juniors or seniors. Approval of school. Study of a problem, phase or field of social work.

491 Special Topics in Social Work
Fall, Spring, Summer. 3(3-0) A student may earn a maximum of 6 credits in all enrollments for this course. R: Open only to juniors or seniors or graduate students or approval of school. Selected topics in social work. Topics include community dynamics or practice issues.

492 Seminar in Social Work
Fall, Spring, Summer. 3(3-0) A student may earn a maximum of 6 credits in all enrollments for this course. R: Open only to juniors or seniors or graduate students in the School of Social Work or approval of school. Selected professional issues, trends, programs or methods in social work including comparative analysis of national social welfare and social work systems.

494A Social Work Field Education:
Foundation I
Fall. 5(1-16) P:M: (SW 340) R: Open only to seniors in the School of Social Work. C: SW 440 concurrently. Professionally supervised generalist social work practice in approved community agencies and campus-based seminar. Integration and application of concepts in social work practice.

494B Social Work Field Education:
Foundation II
Fall. 5(1-16) P:M: (SW 449A) R: Open only to seniors in the School of Social Work. C: SW 441 concurrently. Continuation of professionally supervised generalist social work practice in approved community agencies and campus-based seminar. Integration and application of concepts in social work practice. Focus on writing skills for professional practice and career options.

800 Introduction to Professional Social Work Practice
Fall, Summer. 2(2-0) Introduction to the social work profession and its generic practice foundation.

808 Issues in Urban Policy and Services
Spring of even years. 3(3-0) R: Open only to seniors or graduate students. Interdepartmental with Political Science. Administered by Department of Political Science. RB: (PLS 811) Issues in urban public policy. Major theoretical approaches. Urban regimes, local autonomy, public and private authority, economic constraints, social welfare, service delivery, neighborhood and community development, urban educational systems. Race, gender, and ethnicity.

810 Theories of Groups, Organizations, and Communities in Social Work
Fall. 3(3-0) R: Open only to graduate students in the School of Social Work. Not open to students with credit in SW 812A or SW 812B. Ecological and social-systems perspectives in social work. Theories of groups, formal organizations, and communities in a systems framework for social work practice. Ethical foundations of social work.

811 Social Work Perspectives in Human Development
Spring. 3(3-0) P:M: (SW 810) R: Open only to graduate students in School of Social Work. Not open to students with credit in SW 812A or SW 812B. Developmental theories applied to individuals and families within an ecological perspective. Biopsychosocial factors and interactions in human development for social work assessment and intervention.

812A Human Behavior and the Social Environment I
Summer. 2(2-0) R: Open only to graduate students of School of Social Work. Not open to students with credit in SW 810 or SW 811. Ecological concepts of communities, groups, families, and individuals. Biopsychosocial factors and life span perspectives as a framework for social work practice.

812B Human Behavior and the Social Environment II
Summer. 2(2-0) RB: (SW 812A) R: Open only to graduate students of School of Social Work. Not open to students with credit in SW 810 or SW 811. Continuation of SW 812A.

813 Maladaptive Behavior and Psychosocial Disorders
Fall. 3(3-0) Fall: 1 section. R: Open only to graduate students in the School of Social Work. Social work perspective of person-in-environment as related to maladaptive behavior and psychosocial disorders. Cultural, gender, and racial diversity.

820 Social Welfare Policy and Services
Fall. 3(3-0) R: Open only to graduate students in the School of Social Work or approval of School. Not open to students with credit in SW 821. Policy analysis in historical and philosophical context. The social work profession and social welfare policy. Gender, minority, social class, and international policy issues.

821 Social Welfare Policy and Service Delivery Systems
Summer. 2(2-0) R: Open only to graduate students in the School of Social Work. Not open to students with credit in SW 820. C: SW 812A concurrently and SW 842A concurrently and SW 893A concurrently. Professional, social, organizational, international, and political context of social welfare policy. Impact on the poor, women, and minorities. Service delivery systems.

822A Social Welfare Policy and Services: Children, Youth and Families
Spring. 3(3-0) RB: (SW 820 and SW 821) R: Open only to graduate students in the School of Social Work. Development and consequences of specific policies. Multicultural and gender issues.

822B Social Welfare Policy and Services: Adults
Spring. 3(3-0) RB: (SW 820 and SW 821) R: Open only to graduate students in the School of Social Work. Development and consequences of policies and programs for adults, especially women, minorities, and other disadvantaged groups.

822C Social Welfare Policy and Services: Aging
Spring. 3(3-0) RB: (SW 820 and SW 821) R: Open only to graduate students in the School of Social Work. Development and consequences of policies and programs, especially for women and minority elders.
830 Applied Social Work Research: Experimental and Quasi-Experimental Designs
Spring. 3(3-0) RB: One introductory research methods course and one introductory data analysis course. R: Open only to graduate students in the School of Social Work. Not open to students with credit in SW 831.

831 Applied Social Work Research: Design and Evaluation
Summer. 2(2-0) R: Open only to graduate students in School of Social Work. One introductory research methods course and one introductory data analysis course. Not open to students with credit in SW 830.
Measurement and evaluation processes. Experimental, quasi-experimental, and single-subject design. Data analysis and computer applications in social work.

832 Applied Social Work Research: Survey and Field Designs
Fall. 3(3-0) P.M.: (SW 830 or SW 831) R: Open only to graduate students in the School of Social Work.

840 Generalist Social Work Practice Methods I
Fall. 3(3-0) P.M.: (SW 810 or concurrently and SW 820 or concurrently) R: Open only to graduate students in the School of Social Work. Not open to students with credit in SW 842A or SW 842B. C: SW 894A concurrently.
Conceptual framework for generalist social work practice. Ethical and philosophical basis for professional practice and accountability. Social work roles and methods with micro- and macro client systems.

841 Generalist Social Work Practice: Methods II
Spring. 3(3-0) Spring: Two sections. P.M.: (SW 840) RB: (SW 811 or concurrently) R: Open only to graduate students in the School of Social Work. Not open to students with credit in SW 842A or SW 842B. C: SW 894A concurrently.
Assessment and intervention by developmental stage and type of client system. Models of social work practice.

842A Advanced Generalist Social Work Practice: Methods I
Summer. 2(2-0) R: Open only to graduate students in School of Social Work. Not open to students with credit in SW 840 or SW 841.
Selection, implementation, and evaluation of models of social work intervention.

842B Advanced Generalist Social Work Practice: Methods II
Summer. 2(2-0) RB: (SW 842A) R: Open only to graduate students in School of Social Work. Not open to students with credit in SW 840 or SW 841.
Continuation of SW 842A.

845 Administrative Skills for Social Work Practice
Fall. Spring. 3(3-0) P.M.: (SW 810 or SW 812B) R: Open only to graduate students in the School of Social Work or approval of School.
How social agencies function as organizational entities. Skills required for effective social work practice within organizations, including budgeting, grant writing and supervision.

850 Clinical Social Work Practice I
Fall. 3(3-0) P.M.: (SW 841 or SW 842B) and (SW 893B or SW 894B) R: Open only to graduate students in the School of Social Work. C: SW 894D concurrently.

851 Clinical Social Work Practice II
Spring. 3(3-0) P.M.: (SW 850 and SW 894D and SW 845 or concurrently) R: Open only to graduate students in the School of Social Work. C: SW 894E concurrently.
Conceptual frameworks for clinical social work practice with families and small groups. Intervention strategies, techniques, and practice issues in prevention and treatment.

863 Organizational and Community Social Work Practice I
Fall. 3(3-0) P.M.: (SW 841 or SW 842B) C: SW 894G concurrently.
Theoretical frameworks and skills for advanced community-based social work practice. Theories of social change.

864 Organizational and Community Social Work Practice II
Spring. 3(3-0) P.M.: (SW 845 or concurrently and SW 863) SA: SW 862 C: SW 894I concurrently.
Advanced social work theory and skills for organizational development, and for program development, implementation, and evaluation. Application of social work values in professional practice with social service agencies.

870 Advanced Clinical Social Work with Individual Adults
Spring of odd years. 3(3-0) RB: (SW 850) R: Open only to graduate students in Social Work.
Interventions with individual adults. Case problem solving in empirically-based practice.

871 Advanced Clinical Social Work with Families
Spring. 3(3-0) P.M.: (SW 850) R: Open only to graduate students in Social Work. C: SW 851 concurrently.
Family intervention skills. Case problem solving in empirically-based practice.

873 Social Work in Educational Settings
Fall. Summer. 3(3-0) RB: Training and/or experience working with children, families, and schools. Enrolled in or have graduated from an accredited MSW program. R: Open only to graduate students in the School of Social Work or approval of School.
Roles and functions of social workers within a complex ecological system of home, school, and community. Impact of societal laws and values on the school and on the students’ schooling experience. Implications for social work practice involving prevention and intervention with a variety of client systems.
894A Social Work Field Education: Graduate Generalist Practice I
Fall. 4(1-16) R: Open only to graduate students in Social Work. Not open to students with credit in SW 893A or SW 893B. C: SW 840 concurrently. Professionally supervised foundations of social work practice in approved community agencies. Integration and application of concepts in social work practice.

894B Social Work Field Education: Graduate Generalist Practice II
Spring. 4(1-16) P.M.: (SW 894A) R: Open only to graduate students in Social Work. Not open to students with credit in SW 893A or SW 893B. C: SW 841 concurrently. Continuation of professionally supervised foundations of social work practice in approved community agencies. Integration and application of concepts in social work practice.

894D Social Work Field Education: Clinical Practice I
Fall. 4(1-16) P.M.: (SW 893B or SW 894B) R: Open only to graduate students in the School of Social Work. C: SW 850 concurrently. Professionally supervised clinical social work practice with individuals, dyads, families, and small groups in approved community agencies. Integration and application of concepts in social work practice.

894E Social Work Field Education: Clinical Practice II
Spring. 4(1-16) P.M.: (SW 894D) R: Open only to graduate students in the School of Social Work. C: SW 851 concurrently. Continuation of professionally supervised clinical social work practice with individuals, dyads, families and small groups in approved community agencies. Integration and application of concepts in social work practice.

894G Social Work Field Education: Organizational and Community Practice I
Fall. 4(1-16) P.M.: (SW 893B or SW 894B) R: Open only to graduate students in the School of Social Work. C: SW 863 concurrently. Professionally supervised organization and community social work practice in approved community agencies. Integration and application of concepts in social work practice.

894I Social Work Field Education: Organizational and Community Practice II
Spring. 4(1-16) P.M.: (SW 894G) R: Open only to graduate students in the School of Social Work. SA: SW 894F C: SW 864 concurrently. Continuation of professionally supervised organization and community social work practice in approved community agencies. Integration and application of concepts in social work practice.

900 Doctoral Proseminar in Social Work
Fall. 2(2-0) R: Open only to doctoral students in the School of Social Work. Major issues in social work practice, theory, and research. Social work and the social science disciplines.

901 Knowledge Construction in Social Work
Fall of even years. 3(3-0) R: Open only to doctoral students in Social Science and Social Work. Historical evolution and contemporary status of social work knowledge. Epistemological and ethical issues in the construction of social work theory and knowledge.

902 Research in Social Welfare and Social Work History
Fall of odd years. 3(3-0) R: Open only to doctoral students in the School of Social Work. Historical research in social welfare and social work. Examine major writings in the history of American social welfare and social work.

910 Social Problems and Social Policy
Spring of even years. 3(3-0) R: Open only to doctoral students in Social Science and Social Work. Impact of public policies on social problems, social welfare, social programs, and social work practice. Application of analytical frameworks to selected areas of social welfare.

920 Evaluation of Social Work Services and Practice
Spring of odd years. 3(3-0) R: Open only to doctoral students in Social Science and Social Work. Evaluation of social service organizations, service delivery, and practice outcomes. Evaluation models, design issues, and professional roles in planning and implementing evaluation studies of social work practice.

990 Independent Study in Social Work
Fall, Spring, Summer. 1 to 4 credits. A student may earn a maximum of 8 credits in all enrollments for this course. R: Open only to doctoral students in Social Science-Social Work. Approval of school. Individual study of theoretical or applied problem in social work.

999 Doctoral Dissertation Research
Fall, Spring, Summer. 1 to 12 credits. A student may earn a maximum of 99 credits in all enrollments for this course. R: Open only to doctoral students in the School of Social Work. Doctoral dissertation research.

100 Introduction to Sociology

131 Social Problems
Fall. 3(3-0) The role of social movements, the legal system, public policy and opinion in the resolution of poverty, crime, racism, sexism, and ecological problems.

161 International Development and Change
Spring, 3(3-0) Global issues of development and change. Population growth, poverty, structural inequalities, environmental degradation, social conflicts, social movements. Alternative development strategies and future perspectives.

215 Race and Ethnicity
Fall, Spring, Summer. 3(3-0) Racial and ethnic problems in contemporary society. Prejudice, discrimination, conflict, and racial and ethnic identity and segregation in western and non-western societies.

216 Sex and Gender
Fall, Spring, Summer. 3(3-0) RB: (SOC 100 or SOC 131 or SOC 161) Social structural and social psychological perspectives on gender. Issues related to gender inequality in selected institutions such as economy, family, education, and politics.

220 Criminology
Fall, Spring. 4(4-0) Interdepartmental with Criminal Justice. Administered by School of Criminal Justice. RB: (CJ 110 or SOC 100) R: Open only to students in the Criminal Justice or Sociology major or approval of school. Introduction to the socio-legal foundation of crime. Crime typology and measurement procedures. Theory and public policy. Societal responses to crime and criminals.

241 Social Psychology
Fall, Spring, Summer. 3(3-0) Not open to students with credit in PSY 235. Relationship of individuals to their social environment. Social influences on personality, attitudes and behavior.

281 Methods of Social Research I
Fall. 4(3-2) Design and execution of research on social behavior and institutions. Data collection, structure, and quality. Descriptive analysis. Presentation of conclusions.

282 Methods of Social Research II
Spring. 4(3-2) P.M.: (SOC 281) Survey methods. Experiments. Selected quantitative techniques of data analysis.

315 Family and Society
Fall, Spring. 3(3-0) Family development. Diversity of family form and organization in relation to personality, class, race, and gender.

316 Youth and Society
Fall, Spring. 3(3-0) Behavioral analysis of youth. Youth subcultures. Youth at risk. Social change and youth behavior.

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