DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY

CURRICULUM CHANGE

1. **Type of Change:** Description

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Department(s)	Sociology
Career	[x] Undergraduate [] Graduate
Academic	[x] Regular [] Compensatory [] Developmental [] Remedial
Level	
Subject Area	Sociology
Course Prefix	SOC 231
& Number	
Course Title	Social Problems
Description	An analysis of social problems from the perspectives of functionalism, subculture theory, conflict theory, and labeling. Topics may include: crime, alcoholism and other drug addiction, mental illness, sexual promiscuity, and suicide.
Pre/ Co	NA
Requisites	
Credits	3
Hours	3
Liberal Arts	[x] Yes [] No
Course Attribute (e.g. Writing Intensive, WAC, etc)	NA
General Education Component	x_ Not Applicable Required English Composition Mathematics Science Flexible World Cultures US Experience in its Diversity Creative Expression Individual and Society Scientific World

3. **To:** Underline the changes

Department(s)	Sociology
Career	[x] Undergraduate [] Graduate
Academic	[x] Regular [] Compensatory [] Developmental [] Remedial
Level	
Subject Area	Sociology
Course Prefix	SOC 231
& Number	
Course Title	Social Problems
Description	An analysis of selected social problems through a sociological perspective, including theories and research on the definition and causes of and responses to social issues. Specific topics vary.
Pre/ Co	NA
Requisites	
Credits	3
Hours	3
Liberal Arts	[x] Yes [] No
Course Attribute (e.g. Writing Intensive, WAC, etc)	NA
General	x_ Not Applicable
Education	Required
Component	English Composition Mathematics
	Science
	Science
	Flexible World Cultures US Experience in its Diversity Creative Expression Individual and Society Scientific World

4. Rationale (Explain how this change will impact the learning outcomes of the department and Major/Program):

The current description is outdated and does not represent current approaches in sociology.

5. **Date of departmental approval:** March 14, 2022

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CURRICULUM CHANGE

1. **Type of Change:** Title and description

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Department(s)	Sociology
Career	[x] Undergraduate [] Graduate
Academic	[x] Regular [] Compensatory [] Developmental [] Remedial
Level	
Subject Area	Sociology
Course Prefix	SOC 307
& Number	
Course Title	Mass Communication and Public Opinion
Description	The function of communication in mass society, including media such as television, film, radio, and newspapers. Attention to the social process of public-opinion formation and the diffusion of ideas.
Pre/ Co Requisites	SOC 166 or any 200-level sociology course.
Credits	3
Hours	3
Liberal Arts	[x] Yes [] No
Course	NA
Attribute (e.g.	
Writing	
Intensive,	
WAC, etc)	
General	x_ Not Applicable
Education	Required
Component	English Composition
	Mathematics Science
	Science
	Flexible
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3. **To:**

Department(s)	Sociology
Career	[x] Undergraduate [] Graduate
Academic	[x] Regular [] Compensatory [] Developmental [] Remedial
Level	
Subject Area	Sociology
Course Prefix	SOC 307
& Number	
Course Title	Media and Society
Description	The study of a number of forms of media, their impact on social life and relationship to social institutions. Uses a number of sociological theoretical perspectives and social research approaches.
Pre/ Co	SOC 166 or any 200-level sociology course.
Requisites	
Credits	3
Hours	3
Liberal Arts	[x] Yes [] No
Course	NA
Attribute (e.g.	
Writing	
Intensive,	
WAC, etc)	Net Anniloskie
General Education	x_ Not Applicable
	Required
Component	English Composition Mathematics
	Science
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4. Rationale (Explain how this change will impact the learning outcomes of the department and Major/Program):

The title and description are badly out of date with respect to the content of the course and contemporary practices in the field.

5. Date of departmental approval: March 14, 2022

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY

CURRICULUM CHANGE

1. **Type of Change:** Prerequisite

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Department(s)	Sociology
Career	[x] Undergraduate [] Graduate
Academic	[x] Regular [] Compensatory [] Developmental [] Remedial
Level	
Subject Area	Sociology
Course Prefix	SOC 345
& Number	
Course Title	Quantitative Analysis of Sociological Data
Description	An introduction to data analysis with descriptive and inferential statistics; graphing and other visual presentations of data analysis; statistical programming. Extensive use of computers.
Pre/ Co Requisites	SOC 301 with a grade of C- or better.
Credits	4
Hours	4
Liberal Arts	[x] Yes [] No
Course	NA
Attribute (e.g.	
Writing	
Intensive,	
WAC, etc)	
General	x_ Not Applicable
Education	Required
Component	English Composition
	Mathematics
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Academic	[x] Regular [] Compensatory [] Developmental [] Remedial
Level	
Subject Area	Sociology
Course Prefix	SOC 345
& Number	
Course Title	Quantitative Analysis of Sociological Data
Description	An introduction to data analysis with descriptive and inferential statistics; graphing and other visual presentations of data analysis; statistical programming. Extensive use of computers.
Pre/ Co	SOC 301 with a grade of C- or better and satisfaction of the College's
Requisites	math requirement.
Credits	4
Hours	4
Liberal Arts	[x] Yes [] No
Course	NA
Attribute (e.g.	
Writing	
Intensive,	
WAC, etc)	
General	_x Not Applicable
Education	Required
Component	English Composition Mathematics
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4. Rationale (Explain how this change will impact the learning outcomes of the department and Major/Program):

This will not impact the learning outcomes of the major. Students who have not completed their general education math requirements struggle in this course. This mainly impacts transfer students without an Associate's Degree.

5. **Date of departmental approval:** March 14, 2022

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY

CURRICULUM CHANGE

Name of Program and Degree Award: Sociology, B.A.

Hegis Number: 2208

Program Code: 34034; MHC-34265

Effective Term: Fall 2022

1. Type of Change: Add Distance Format

2. **From:**

Sociology, B.A. (35-41 Credit Major)

The required courses and credits are distributed as follows:

Pre-requisite* (3 credits):

SOC 166 or any 200-level SOC course is a prerequisite for all 300- and 400-level courses, unless otherwise stated in the course description. The prerequisite will count as an elective course in the major.

CORE COURSES (20 credits)

All students are required to complete the following courses:

		Credits
SOC 300	The Sociological Imagination	4
SOC 301	Methods of Social Research	4
SOC 302	Sociological Theory	4
SOC 303	Advanced Methods of Social Research	4
SOC 345	Quantitative Analysis of Sociological Data	4

NOTES:

Students registering for **SOC 300** and **SOC 301** must have a Sociology Grade Point Average of C (2.0) or better.

Students registering for **SOC 302** and all 400 level courses must have completed **SOC 300** with a grade of C- (1.7) or better.

Students registering for **SOC 303**, **SOC 345**, and all 400 level courses must have completed **SOC 301** with a grade of C- (1.7) or better.

COURSES IN STUDENT'S CONCENTRATION (18 credits)

Each student is required to complete a concentration in one of three separate tracks. At least 9 of these credits must be at the 300-400 level; the remaining 9 credits may include any from the list of Sociology Courses in the Bulletin except for the Core Courses listed above. The tracks, detailed below, are (1) General Sociology, (2) Demography and Population Health, and (3) Education, Social Inequality and Urban Studies.

CONCENTRATIONS IN SOCIOLOGY

CONCENTRATION IN GENERAL SOCIOLOGY (18 credits)

Students are required to take at least 18 additional credits in SOC courses chosen from the list of Sociology Courses in the Bulletin. At least 9 credits must be in SOC courses at the 300- or 400-level.

CONCENTRATION IN DEMOGRAPHY AND POPULATION HEALTH (18 Credits) Required Courses (18 credits)

18 Sociology credits, at least 9 credits of which must be chosen from the list below:

		Credits
SOC 319	Population and Society	3
SOC 320	Immigration and Adaptation	3
SOC 339	American Demography	4
SOC 305	Sociology of Health Care	3

Note: MAT 104 or higher is strongly recommended.

CONCENTRATION IN EDUCATION, SOCIAL INEQUALITY AND URBAN STUDIES (18 Credits)

Required Courses (18 credits)

18 Sociology credits, at least 9 credits of which must be chosen from the list below:

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SOC 309	Social Inequality		3

SOC 334	Urban Sociology in Global Perspective	3
SOC 336	Education and Inequality	3
SOC 335	Global and Cross-Cultural Perspectives on Education and Society.	3

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SOC 336	Education and Inequality	3

SOC 335 Global and Cross-Cultural Perspectives on Education and Society.

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At least 50% of the courses to complete the major may be taken online.

4. Rationale (Explain how this change will impact learning outcomes of the department and Major/Program):

Formally add distance format.

5. Date of departmental approval: December 3, 2021