Sociology

SOCl 105 General Sociology Fall & Spring Semesters; 3
A general introduction to the basic forms of human association and interaction dealing with the social processes, institutions, culture, and personality development. This course is a prerequisite to some upper division courses in sociology.

SOCl 180 Introduction to Marriage and Family Life Offered as needed; 3
An introduction to marriage and family interaction. A multi-disciplinary approach considering the social, psychological, and physiological aspects of human life.

SOCl 230 Urban Social Problems Fall Semester; 3
A study of the adjustments and changes that are constantly needed in wholesome, creative social-cultural growth in urban societies. Major urban social problems and tensions experienced in developed and developing countries, touching problems of ethnic and minority relations. Problems related to issues of women, aging, retardation, and disability. The social pathological problems of crime and delinquency, drugs, and mental and physical illnesses including AIDS. Population and environmental issues and the means of intervention on the personal, community, and national levels, with special emphasis on the role and responsibility of the Seventh-day Adventist church.

SOCl 295 Independent Study in Sociology Offered as needed; 1-3
Study on an independent basis in collaboration with the instructor on a topic in sociology at the lower division level.

SOCl 425 Sociological Theory: Its History and Development Offered as needed; 3
Prerequisite: SOCl 105. A study of man’s thinking, investigation, and planning of his own society and communities and of human institutions and interrelationships. A brief historical survey of earlier civilizations. Emphasis on present day scientific efforts, leading current social theories, influential social philosophies, and the contribution of social science thinking to humanity. Samplings of literature of social idealism and of social criticism.

SOCl 494 Topics in Sociology Offered as needed; 1-4
Prerequisite: Approval of the department chair. A study of an area of sociology not listed as a regular course. Based on student needs and faculty consent.

SOCl 495 Independent Study in Sociology Offered as needed; 1-3
Study on an independent basis in collaboration with the instructor on a topic in sociology at the upper division level.