

Course Outline for: SOC 1101 Cultural Diversity**A. Course Description**

1. Number of credits: 3
2. Lecture hours per week: 3
3. Prerequisites: None
4. Corequisites: None
5. MnTC Goals: Goal #5 History and the Social and Behavioral Sciences
Goal #8 Global Perspectives

This course aims to promote understanding and appreciation of cultural diversity. Sociological and anthropological perspectives will be used to examine socio-cultural diversity, the challenges and opportunities it presents, and its importance in our dynamic contemporary world. The course also emphasizes processes such as workplace diversity and long-term trends in cultural pluralism, which are transforming our everyday experiences and identities.

B. Date last reviewed/updated: April 2022**C. Outline of Major Content Areas**

1. Introduction to Cultural Diversity
2. Individual and Institutional Prejudice, Discrimination and Racism
3. The Value of Genders Cross-Culturally
4. Cross-Cultural Perspectives on Individual Differences
5. Cross-Cultural Perspectives on Social Institutions, such as Religion, the Family, the Economy, Education, and Politics
6. Life Stages/Cycles in Diverse Cultures
7. Social Change and Opportunity

D. Course Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of the course, the student will be able to:

1. Define cultural diversity using anthropological and sociological perspectives. (Goal 2b, 2c, 5a, 5c)
2. Describe socio-cultural change in contemporary society. (Goal 2b, 2c, 5b)
3. Analyze cross-cultural variations in social institutions such as family, religion and politics and examine their influences on individual behaviors and beliefs. (Goal 2a, 2b, 2c, 5a, 8b)
4. Develop an appreciation for cultural diversity. (Goal 8d)
5. Apply sociological and anthropological perspectives regarding cultural diversity to explain differing experiences and opportunities within institutional settings and in everyday life. (Goal 2a, 2b, 2c, 2d, 5a, 5b, 8c, 8d)

D. Methods for Assessing Student Learning

Assessment methods may include, but are not limited to: exams, quizzes, journals, research papers, oral presentations, written assignments, essays, group work and/or any other assessment measures based on the discretion of the instructor.

E. Special Information Print

This course is cross listed with ANTH 1101.