







**SOCI 397****INDEPENDENT STUDY IN SOCIOLOGY (1-3) Prerequisites:**

*Approval of faculty sponsor and school dean; junior or senior standing.* This course provides students the opportunity to pursue individual study of topics not covered in other available courses. The area for investigation is developed in consultation with a faculty sponsor and credit is dependent on the nature of the work. May be repeated for no more than six credits.

**SOCI 398****SPECIAL TOPICS IN SOCIOLOGY (1-3) [credit depends on topic] Prerequisites:**

*A background of work in the discipline or prior consent of instructor.* This course will focus on an aspect of the discipline not otherwise covered by the regularly offered courses. The topic will vary according to professor and term; consequently, more than one may be taken by a student during his/her matriculation.

**SOCI 399****INTERNSHIPS IN SOCIOLOGY (1-6) Prerequisite:**

*Juniors or seniors with a 2.25 minimum QPA; approval of written proposal by internship coordinator, supervising faculty, and school dean prior to registration.* This course provides the student with a supervised work experience in a setting in which sociology is applied. Examples of work settings include, but are not limited to, advertising agencies, personnel departments in large businesses, market research firms, municipal planning offices, correctional agencies, and social service departments. Internships are developed by the student with assistance from the sociology staff and/or the internship coordinator. (See "Internships.")

**SOCI 430****SENIOR RESEARCH CAPSTONE I (3) Prerequisite:**

*SOCI 201, SOCI 358, SOCI 370, SOCI 371.* Contemporary Issues in Sociology: This course is designed to synthesize the student's Sociology Program experiences. During the semester each student chooses a research topic, carries out the appropriate literature review, and designs the research method to be used to investigate the topic chosen.

**SOCI 431****SENIOR RESEARCH CAPSTONE II (3) Prerequisite:**

*SOCI 201, SOCI 358, SOCI 370, SOCI 371, SOCI 430.* Senior Research Seminar: In this semester the student continues the research project begun in SOCI 430. The student collects the appropriate information and data and reports it in appropriate written and oral form. Additionally, this semester's work includes the building of a minimal professional portfolio which includes a résumé, a vita, and other appropriate career-focused materials.