



**Course Name:** Contemporary Social Issues

**Course Number:** SOC\* E201

**Credits:** 3

**Catalog description:** : The application of sociological principles and methods to selected problems of the United States society. The impact of a changing technology upon family, religions, educational, political, economic and community institutions emphasized. The study includes an analysis of the developmental background *of*, and proposed solutions to the problems selected for consideration.

**Prerequisite:** SOC\* 101 or permission of instructor

## **General Education Competencies Satisfied:**

**HCC General Education Requirement Designated Competency Attribute Code(s):**

None

**Additional CSCU General Education Requirements for CSCU Transfer Degree Programs:**

None

**Embedded Competency(ies):**

None

**Discipline-Specific Attribute Code(s):**

BHEL Behavioral Science elective

## **Course objectives:**

**General Education Goals and Outcomes:**

None

**Course Specific Objectives:**

1. Demonstrate a knowledge of the sociological approach to social problems
2. Demonstrate an understanding of how history, society, economics, politics, and culture  
has impacted the field of contemporary social issues



3. Demonstrate familiarity with major theorists in the field of contemporary social issues
4. Develop the ability to make informed judgments concerning ethical issues related  
contemporary social issues
5. Demonstrate an understanding of how life and ethical choices influence development  
as part of contemporary social issues
6. Develop an understanding of contemporary social issues related to diversity within and across cultures
7. Demonstrate an understanding of how contemporary social issues apply to one's own life

**Course Content:**

1. Sociological Theory of contemporary social issues
2. Methodological Issues
3. Social Problems in Selected Social Institutions. Some but not all of the following: Crime and Deviance, Family, Religion, Education, Health and Medical Care, Population and Immigration, Urban and Rural, Ethnic, Poverty, Discrimination, environment, Civil Liberties, War and Terrorism, Technology, Work and the Economy. Aging, Sex Roles, Drugs and Alcohol. Violence, Mental Illness, Suicide.

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