



COURSE NAME: Sociology of Women

COURSE NUMBER: SOC\* 212

CREDITS: 3 credit hours

CATALOG DESCRIPTION: A survey of the status and contributions of women with special emphasis on new options and changing roles. An examination of the psychological and sociological process shaping the role of women and the effects of sex-role socialization. Instruction will be by lecture, films, guest lectures, class discussion, assigned readings and student presentation of projects or papers.

PREREQUISITES: ENG\* 101

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

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

**BHEL Behavioral Science elective**

**COURSE SPECIFIC OUTCOMES:**

- 1) Demonstrate knowledge of the sociological approach to the study of women in the United States and other societies.
- 2) Demonstrate an understanding of how history, society, economics, politics, and culture has impacted the field of sociology of women
- 3) Demonstrate familiarity with major theorists in the field of sociology of women
- 4) Develop the ability to make informed judgments concerning ethical issues related to sociology of women
- 5) Demonstrate an understanding of how life and ethical choices influence women within and across societies and cultures
- 6) Develop an understanding of sociology of women related to diversity within and across cultures
- 7) Demonstrate an understanding of how theories of sociology of women apply to one's own life

**COURSE CONTENT:**

1. Sociological and psychological theories relevant to the study of women
2. Diversity among women .age, race, class, culture
3. History of women in the United States
4. Gender-defining institutions socialization, religion, communication media, and government and law