Bemidji State University

SOC 1104: Introduction to Sociology

A. COURSE DESCRIPTION
   Credits: 3
   Lecture Hours/Week: 0
   Lab Hours/Week: 0
   OJT Hours/Week: *.*
   Prerequisites: None
   Corequisites: None
   MnTC Goals: Goal 05 - Hist/Soc/Behav Sci
   Examines concepts and theories that describe and explain social life. Focuses on aspects of culture, social class, race relations, and gender relations as they are determined by society, and on how humans create and recreate groups, structures, and institutions. [Core Curriculum Goal Area 5]

B. COURSE EFFECTIVE DATES: 08/02/2023 - Present

C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS
   1. Environmental issues from a sociological perspective
   2. Examination of micro, meso and macro social processes
   3. Micro and macro sociological theories and constructs
   4. Qualitative and quantitative methods of analyzing social settings
   5. Social phenomenon using appropriate sociological concepts and terminology

D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)
   1. compare and contrast ideas from classical scholars with those presented by contemporary scholars.
   2. construct basic theoretical statements using supporting documentation.
   3. critique theoretical interpretations.
   4. synthesize key themes from various viewpoints.
   5. use theoretical understandings to interpret social situations.
   6. classify theoretical concepts.

E. Minnesota Transfer Curriculum Goal Area(s) and Competencies
   Goal 05 - Hist/Soc/Behav Sci
   1. Employ the methods and data that historians and social and behavioral scientists use to investigate the human condition.
   2. Examine social institutions and processes across a range of historical periods and cultures.
   3. Use and critique alternative explanatory systems or theories.
   4. Develop and communicate alternative explanations or solutions for contemporary social issues.

F. LEARNER OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT
   As noted on course syllabus

G. SPECIAL INFORMATION
   None noted