SOC 3925: People of the Environment: Sociology Perspective

A. COURSE DESCRIPTION

Credits: 3
Lecture Hours/Week: 0
Lab Hours/Week: 0
OJT Hours/Week: *
Prerequisites: None
Corequisites: None
MnTC Goals: None

Examines the relationship between society and the environment. Emphasis on political and economic institutions and the consumer lifestyle and values. Considers how the treadmill of production affects ecosystems and discusses possible solutions to environmental problems.

B. COURSE EFFECTIVE DATES: 07/30/2023 - Present

C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS

1. Built Environments
2. Environmental Movements
3. Human Activity Impacts
4. Natural Environments
5. Social Environments
6. Social Processes
7. Technological Environments

D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)

1. demonstrate understanding of the growing interdependence of nations and peoples.
2. improve understanding of today's complex environmental challenges through examination of the interrelatedness of human society and the natural environment.
3. develop integrative and critical thinking about environmental issues as informed by knowledge of both bio-physical principles and socio-cultural systems.
4. develop the ability to apply a comparative perspective to cross-cultural social, economic and political experiences.
5. examine empirical data and the identify patterns of social inequality that result in the unequal allocation of resources.

E. Minnesota Transfer Curriculum Goal Area(s) and Competencies

None

F. LEARNER OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT

As noted on course syllabus

G. SPECIAL INFORMATION

None noted