# **SOCIAL SCIENCES (SOSC)**

### Courses

## SOSC 600 INTERDISCIPLINARY APPROACHES TO GLOBAL PROBLEMS (3)

Interdisciplinary approaches to global problems; comparative frameworks; issues include economic integration, urbanization, environment.

### SOSC 601 GEOGRAPHER'S VIEW (3)

The role of geography within the social sciences through an exploration of recent trends in the discipline.

# SOSC 602 COMPARATIVE HISTORY AND HISTORIOGRAPHY (3)

Examination of selected topics in comparative history, including consideration of the developed and less developed world. Exploration of competing approaches and leading historiographical issues.

#### SOSC 603 THE ECONOMIST'S PERSPECTIVE (3)

Use of economic concepts and tools (such as cost and benefit, supply and demand) to facilitate logical thinking about complex social issues and, therefore, to promote understanding of society and of other social sciences.

### SOSC 605 AMERICAN POLITICS IN THE 21ST CENTURY (3)

The course will constitute the political science department's core offering to the Master of Science degree in Social Science. It will address the change and continuity in American politics and American political science in the last 50 years.

#### SOSC 606 SOCIOLOGICAL INSIGHT (3)

Theories, methods and substantive issues in sociology. Consideration of recent advances in sociological research.

### SOSC 609 DEVELOPMENTAL HUMAN LEARNING: A LIFESPAN APPROACH (3)

Provides graduate students with basic theories, historical development and application of scientific methods to human learning.

#### SOSC 625 TOPICS IN SOCIAL SCIENCES (3)

Content will be selected from different areas of the Social Sciences to complement course offerings and the needs of students and the program. May be repeated for a maximum of 9 units provided a different topic is taken each time.

### SOSC 787 DIRECTED INDIVIDUAL READINGS IN SOCIAL SCIENCE (1-6)

Permit students in the Master of Science Program in Social Science to undertake individual readings at the graduate level in a topic potentially not covered by existing courses. May be repeated for a total of 6 units. Prerequisite: graduate standing and 18 units of SOSC courses.

## SOSC 797 DIRECTED INDIVIDUAL RESEARCH IN SOCIAL SCIENCES (1-3)

Research and reading with a social science topic to be selected by the instructor and the student. No more than 6 units may be applied toward a degree. Prerequisites: Graduate Standing and 18 units of SOSC core courses.

### SOSC 897 SOCIAL SCIENCE THESIS (6)

Topically selected research and reading within a specifically selected social science discipline for the purpose of producing a master's thesis. Graded S/U. Prerequisites: Graduate standing and 18 units of SOSC core courses.

### SOSC 898 SOCIAL SCIENCE THESIS (3)

Topically selected research and reading within a specifically selected social science discipline for the purpose of producing a master's thesis. Graded S/U. Prerequisites: Graduate standing and 18 units of SOSC core courses.

### SOSC 899 SOCIAL SCIENCE MASTER'S THESIS CONTINUUM (1)

Individual research and writing of master's thesis. Graded S/U based on making satisfactory progress on thesis. Prerequisite: 6 units of SOSC 897 or SOSC 898.