

## **EPC 14-Day Clock Memo**

TO: All Faculty  
FROM: Educational Policies Committee  
SUBJECT: Notice of Curriculum Changes  
DATE: May 8, 2025

**The 14-day review period begins May 8, 2025 and ends May 22, 2025**

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This notice of Curriculum Changes is published as required by the EPC Manual, which is located in the Faculty Handbook. The following paragraph may be found in Section III, Part VI, Section 3, "Procedures Governing Revision of Curriculum and Degree Requirements":

F: Faculty members must submit objections to proposals in writing to the Chair of EPC via [facgov@plu.edu](mailto:facgov@plu.edu) within 14 days from the date listed on the 14-Day Notice of Curriculum Changes distributed by the EPC. Objections received within this 14-day period will suspend approval, pending resolution of the objections. In the event a dispute cannot be resolved, EPC will make its recommendation to the faculty for action at the next regular faculty meeting.

Complete copies of the proposals may be obtained from the Provost's Office or from Tom Smith, Chair of the Educational Policies Committee for the 2024-25 academic year.

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### **Curriculum Changes for Review – Summary**

- **Social Work** – add dual-listing to pre-existing course

### **Curriculum Changes for Information Only – Summary**

- **Sociology & Criminal Justice, and Anthropology** – catalog editorial changes

## Curriculum Changes for Review

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### SOCIAL WORK

*Fall 2025*

Type 2 – add dual-listing to pre-existing course

#### Courses

##### SOCW 360 : Social Work Practice I: Interviewing and Overview of Generalist Practice

Students learn the conceptual framework of generalist practice and apply the ecological systems perspective to practice. This course introduces engagement, assessment, intervention, and evaluation in the context of social work both locally and globally. Students are able to learn intentional interviewing skills and apply those skills within various models of practice and across cultures. **May be dual-listed with SOCW 510.** SOCW Prerequisite: SOCW 335. (4)

##### SOCW 480 : Social Work Practicum I

Students are placed in social service agencies where, under supervision, they demonstrate the generalist skills of engagement, assessment, intervention, and evaluation of practice. They apply ethical principles in interactions with clients and staff, demonstrate critical thinking, engage and embrace diversity, demonstrate and apply knowledge of human behavior and the social environment. In weekly seminar, students integrate the theories and skills from their coursework with experiences in their field settings, applying theories of human behavior and the social environment. **May be dual-listed with SOCW 576.** Prerequisites: SOCW 350 and 360; to be taken concurrently with SOCW 460. Requires consent of instructor. (4)

##### SOCW 487 : Special Topics in Social Welfare

To provide undergraduate students with new, one-time, and developing courses not yet available in the regular curriculum. The title will be listed on the student term-based record as ST: followed by the specific title designated by the academic unit. **May be dual-listed with SOCW 587 (1 to 4)**

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### **SOCIOLOGY & CRIMINAL JUSTICE, AND ANTHROPOLOGY**

*Fall 2025*

Type 1 – catalog editorial changes

#### Catalog

#### **Sociology & Criminal Justice, and Anthropology**

<b>253.535.8305</b>	<a href="http://www.plu.edu/sociology-criminal-justice/"><u>www.plu.edu/sociology-criminal-justice/</u></a>	<a href="mailto:soci@plu.edu"><u>soci@plu.edu</u></a>
Laura McCloud, Ph.D., Chair		

#### **Bachelor of Arts Degree**

**Sociology and Criminal Justice** majors are required to attain a minimum grade of C- in sociology and criminal justice classes.

#### **Major in Sociology**

*40 semester hours, including:*

- SOCI 101, 240, 301, 302, 496, 499
- 4 semester hours of SOCI Inequalities elective coursework
  - Choose from 210, 309, or 332
- 12 semester hours of Sociology elective coursework not already selected above
  - Choose from 210, 230, 287, 309, 332, 336, 378, 387, 391, 393, 495, or CRIM 226

#### **Major in Criminal Justice**

*40 semester hours, including:*

- SOCI 101, 301, 302, 499
- CRIM 102, 413
- 4 semester hours of SOCI Inequalities elective coursework
  - Choose from SOCI 210, 240, 309, or 332
- 12 semester hours of Criminal Justice elective coursework

- Choose from CRIM 226, 287, 387, 495; SOCI 336, 393, 495; PHIL 125, 128, 227, or 229
  - Students may only take 4 semester hours of PHIL courses for the Criminal Justice major

### **Requirements for students co-pursuing majors and minors in Sociology and Criminal Justice**

- A maximum of 8 credits may be double-counted for a Sociology major and Criminal Justice minor, Criminal Justice major and Sociology minor, or a Sociology and Criminal Justice double minor.
- Due to the shared core curriculum, students may not double major in sociology and criminal justice.

### **Minors**

**Minors are required to attain a minimum grade of C- in anthropology, sociology and criminal justice classes.**

#### **Minor in Anthropology**

**16 semester hours**

- **Required: ANTH 102.**
- **Choose: ANTH 101, 103, or 203; 4 semester hours from ANTH 330–345; 4 semester hours from ANTH 350–499**
- **At least 8 semester hours of ANTH courses must be taken at PLU and at least 4 semester hours of the 8 semester hours must be earned from 300-level courses.**

~~Minors are required to attain a minimum grade of C- in sociology and criminal justice classes.~~

#### **Minor in Sociology**

*20 semester hours, including:*

- SOCI 101
- 16 semester hours of Sociology coursework
  - Choose from SOCI 210, 230, 240, 287, 301, 302, 309, 332, 336, 378, 387, 391, 393, 495, 496, or CRIM 226

#### **Minor in Criminal Justice**

*20 semester hours, including:*

- SOCI 101
- 4 semester hours of SOCI Inequalities elective coursework
  - Choose from SOCI 210, 240, 309, or 332
- 8 semester hours of Criminal Justice elective coursework

- Choose from CRIM 226, 287, 387, 495; SOCI 336, 393, 495; PHIL 125, 128, 227, or 229
  - Students may only take 4 semester hours of PHIL courses for the Criminal Justice minor

### **Sociology and Criminal Justice Transfer Student Policy**

Students may transfer up to 16 semester hours towards the Sociology or Criminal Justice major and 8 semester hours towards the Sociology or Criminal Justice minor, unless they have permission from the chair of the Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice.

### **Anthropology Honors**

**In recognition of outstanding work, the designation with anthropology honors may be granted by vote based on the student's performance in the following areas:**

- **Anthropology coursework requires minimum 3.50 GPA.**
- **Demonstration of active interest in anthropological projects and activities outside of class work.**
- **Completion of a senior thesis. A paper describing independent research must be conducted under the supervision of anthropology faculty. A proposal must be approved by the faculty by the third week of class of the Fall Semester for May and August graduates, and the third week of class of the Spring Semester for December and January graduates. After receiving the proposal approval, a student must closely work with, and regularly show/demonstrate progress to the faculty. At the latest, the first full draft must be turned into the faculty by the third week of the Spring Semester for May and August graduates, or the third week of the fall semester for December and January graduates. The final draft must be turned in by April 10 for May and August graduates, or November 10 for December and January graduates.**
- **The honors designation will appear on the transcript of a student graduating with an anthropology minor.**

### **Courses**

#### **Anthropology (ANTH) - Undergraduate Courses**

**ANTH 101 : Introduction to Human Biological Diversity - NW**  
**Introduction to biological anthropology with a special focus on human evolution, the fossil evidence for human development, the role of culture in**

human evolution, and a comparison with the development and social life of the nonhuman primates. (4)

**ANTH 102 : Introduction to Human Cultural Diversity - ES, GE**  
Introduction to social-cultural anthropology, concentrating on the exploration of the infinite variety of human endeavors in all aspects of culture and all types of societies: religion, politics, law, kinship, and art. (4)

**ANTH 103 : Introduction to Archaeology and World Prehistory - ES, GE**  
Introduction to the ideas and practice of archaeology used to examine the sweep of human prehistory from the earliest stone tools to the development of agriculture and metallurgy and to enrich our understanding of extinct societies. (4)

**ANTH 203 : Great Discoveries in Archaeology - ES, GE**  
This course will teach you the basics of archaeology and about a few of the more exciting archaeological discoveries worldwide (Kennewick Man, King Tut, Machu Picchu, etc.). This will include seeing the instructor make flaked stone tools out of obsidian and discuss how such knowledge helps to inform us about the past. The course will also explore what has influenced the nature of "knowledge" about archaeological discoveries by looking at how they have been interpreted and understood in the sociopolitical contexts of the modern countries where they are located. Science makes lofty claims that it is an objective mode of inquiry. In other words, science claims that the analysis and interpretation of data (in this case, bones, stones, and pottery, etc.) is carried out free of bias. This course will take care to evaluate this proposition. This course may substitute for ANTH 103 under special circumstances with consent of department chair. (4)

**ANTH 287 : Special Topics in Anthropology**  
To provide undergraduate students with new, one-time, and developing courses not yet available in the regular curriculum. The title will be listed on the student term-based record as ST: followed by the specific title designated by the academic unit. (1 to 4)

**ANTH 288 : Special Topics in Anthropology**  
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**ANTH 291 : Directed Study**

To provide individual undergraduate students with introductory study not available in the regular curriculum. The title will be listed on the student term-based record as DS: followed by the specific title designated by the student. (1 to 4)

**ANTH 335 : The Aztecs, Mayans, and Their Predecessors - ES, GE**

This course is an archaeological and ethnohistoric survey of the emergence and nature of complex societies in ancient Mesoamerica. Besides the Aztecs and Mayans, other fascinating cultures of study include the Olmecs, Teotihuacanos, and the Toltecs. Emphasis is placed on how these Mesoamerican societies were structured and how they changed over time. (4)

**ANTH 343 : East Asian Cultures - ES, GE**

A survey of the cultures and peoples of Eastern Asia, concentrating on China but with comparative reference to Japan, Korea, and Vietnam. Cultural similarities as well as differences between these nations are stressed. Topics include religion, art, politics, history, kinship, and economics. (4)

**ANTH 368 : Edible Landscapes: The Foraging Spectrum - ES, GE**

The course examines foragers in Africa, North America, and Australia. Using classic ethnographic literature, it provides a cultural ecological perspective of foraging societies in a variety of environments. It also examines how foraging studies inform archaeological research and the challenges that these peoples now face in a rapidly changing world. (4)

**ANTH 370 : The Archaeology of Ancient Empires - ES, GE**

The origins of agriculture, writing, cities, and the state in many parts of the world, comparing and contrasting the great civilizations of antiquity, including Mesopotamia, Egypt, India, Asia, Mesoamerica, and South America. (4)

**ANTH 387 : Special Topics in Anthropology**

Selected topics as announced by the department. Course will address important issues in archaeology and cultural anthropology. (1 to 4)

**ANTH 388 : Special Topics in Anthropology**

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**ANTH 389 : Special Topics in Anthropology**

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**ANTH 480 : Anthropological Inquiry**

Historic and thematic study of the theoretical foundations of anthropology: research methods; how theory and methods are used to establish anthropological knowledge. Required of majors in their junior or senior year. Prerequisite: at least two 300-level anthropology courses or consent of instructor. (4)

**ANTH 487 : Special Topics in Anthropology**

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**ANTH 489 : Special Topics in Anthropology**

To provide undergraduate students with new, one-time, and developing courses not yet available in the regular curriculum. The title will be listed on the student term-based record as ST: followed by the specific title designated by the academic unit. (1 to 4)

**ANTH 491 : Independent Studies: Undergraduate Readings**

Reading in specific areas or issues of anthropology under supervision of a faculty member. Prerequisite: departmental consent. (1 to 4)

**ANTH 495 : Internship**

To permit undergraduate students to relate theory and practice in a work situation. The title will be listed on the student term-based record as Intern: followed by the specific title designated by the instructor in consultation with the student. (1 to 12)

**ANTH 499 : Capstone: Seminar in Anthropology - SR**

Examine anthropological methods and apply anthropological theory to an investigation of a selected topic in contemporary anthropology. Required of majors in their junior or senior year. Prerequisite: at least two 300-level



**anthropology courses or consent of instructor. Prerequisite for non-majors: departmental approval. (4)**

### **Criminal Justice (CRIM) - Undergraduate**

#### **CRIM 102 : Introduction to Criminal Justice**

An examination of the American Criminal Justice System. This course will address law enforcement the court system and correctional system, along with attention to race, class, and gender inequalities. (4)

#### **CRIM 226 : Delinquency & Juvenile Justice**

An examination of juvenile delinquency in relation to the family, peer groups, community, and institutional structure. Includes consideration of processing the juvenile delinquent by formal agencies of control. (4)

#### **CRIM 287 : Special Topics in Criminal Justice**

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#### **CRIM 387 : Special Topics in Criminal Justice**

Selected topics as announced by the department. Prerequisite: SOCI 101, CRIM 102, or consent of instructor. (1 to 4)

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**CRIM 413 : Criminological Theories**

An analysis of influential criminological theories of the 19th and 20th centuries, to the recent contemporary schools, and to the underlying patterns of thought which both unite and divide the criminological tradition. Required for senior criminal justice majors. Prerequisites: SOCI 101, CRIM 102, and declared major or minor in criminal justice. (4)

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**CRIM 491 : Independent Study**

Readings or fieldwork in specific areas or issues of sociology or criminal justice under supervision of a faculty member. Prerequisite: departmental consent. (1 to 4)

**CRIM 495 : Internship**

Students receive course credit for working in community organizations and integrating their experiences into an academic project. Placements are usually arranged by the student and may include the public school system, private and public social service organizations, criminal justice system agencies, local and state governmental agencies, and businesses. Prerequisite: SOCI 101, CRIM 102, declared major or minor in criminal justice. (1 to 4)

## **Sociology (SOCI) - Undergraduate**

### **SOCI 101 : Introduction to Sociology - ES**

An introduction to the discipline of sociology. Features an analysis of contemporary American society with emphasis on the interconnections of race, class, and gender. Sociological concepts include socialization, social roles, stereotypes, power, and stratification. (4)

### **SOCI 210 : Gender and Society - ES**

An examination of gender as a social construction and a system of stratification. Focus is on the structural aspects of gender and upon the intersection of gender with other social categories, such as race, class, and sexuality. (4)

### **SOCI 230 : The Family**

An examination of the institution of the family in the United States, with emphasis on how families are affected by social forces such as the economy, race and ethnicity, gender, and social politics. (4)

### **SOCI 240 : Social Problems - ES**

Critical examination of poverty, discrimination, drugs, crime, homelessness, violence, and family breakdown. Course addresses contemporary social problems, an analysis of their social roots, and an evaluation of the policies designed to eradicate them. (4)

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**SOCI 301 : Quantitative Research Methods - QR**

An overview of the quantitative research methods social scientists use to explore, describe, and analyze the social world. General issues in the design and implementation of research projects, as well as specific issues that arise in constructing and administering surveys, analyzing existing data, and planning program evaluations. Required for criminal justice, sociology, and social work majors. Prerequisite: SOCI 101, CRIM 102, or consent of instructor. (4)

**SOCI 302 : Qualitative Research Methods**

An overview of qualitative research methods in sociology, criminal justice, and social work. Students will learn how to design qualitative research projects, collect qualitative data, and manage and analyze qualitative data. Students will also learn how to manage, analyze, and report findings from the data they collect. Required for criminal justice, sociology, and social work majors. Prerequisite: SOCI 101, CRIM 102, or consent of instructor.

**SOCI 309 : Social Stratification**

An examination of the cultural and structural causes of social stratification and its consequence, social inequality. The course focuses on stratification and inequality on the basis of race, class, and gender, exploring what social forces shape individuals' differentiated access to society's valued resources. Prerequisite: SOCI 101, CRIM 102, or consent of instructor. (4)

**SOCI 332 : Race and Racism - ES**

A critical examination of race and racism in the United States. The course will explore the social construction of race and how racism shapes social institutions, such as the economy, education, and criminal justice. Prerequisite: SOCI 101, CRIM 102, or consent of instructor. (4)

**SOCI 336 : Deviance**

An examination of social norms and the deviation of social norms. We explore power structures that determine what behavior is normative and deviant, the implications for individuals who deviate from norms, and social control structure in place to reinforce conformity. Prerequisite: SOCI 101, CRIM 102, or consent of instructor. (4)

**SOCI 378 : Consumption**

An examination of the relationship between goods, individuals, and society. The course deconstructs the social bases of consumption to better understand the role consumption plays in shaping our identities and maintaining social distinctions. The course also addresses the relationship between consumption and social problems like consumer debt, inequality, and sustainability. Prerequisite: SOCI 101 or consent of instructor. (4)

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**SOCI 391 : Sociology of Religion**

An investigation of the American religious scene with particular emphasis on religious group dynamics and processes, how people become religious, and measuring religiosity. This course will examine the interplay between religion and society and focus on how sociologists study religion. Prerequisite: SOCI 101 or consent of instructor. (4)

**SOCI 393 : Gender & Violence**

An examination of gendered violence in American society. Focal topics will vary by semester and may include sexual violence, intimate partner violence, stalking, or masculinity and violence. The course will address how violence is gendered, theoretical explanations of gendered violence, and the response of the criminal justice system. Prerequisites: SOCI 101, CRIM 102, GSRS 201, or consent of instructor. (4)

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**SOCI 496 : Sociological Theories**

An analysis of influential sociological theories of the 19th and 20th centuries with attention to the classic theories of Marx, Durkheim, Weber, DuBois, and Gilman to the recent contemporary schools, and to the underlying patterns of thought which both unite and divide the sociological tradition. Required for senior sociology majors. Prerequisites: SOCI 101 and declared major or minor in sociology. (4)

**SOCI 499 : Capstone: Senior Seminar - SR**

Students design and carry through an independent research project involving the collection of data and the analysis of findings. Students demonstrate their mastery of the field by relating their research to the existing body of sociological literature and knowledge. Required for senior majors. Prerequisites: SOCI 301, 302, and declared major in sociology or criminal justice. (4)