

**NorthWest Arkansas Community College
Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences,
Education and Wellness, Legal and Protective
Services**

SOCI 2013H (General Sociology - Honors)

Catalog Description:

General Sociology-Honors – (S) A general introduction to the basic concepts, theories, and perspectives of sociology. Topics include the nature of society and the foundations of social interaction and social life, including social groups, culture, social class, social institutions, and social change. Emphasis is placed on current research in sociology, globalization, diversity, and multiculturalism. Students who participate in the study abroad option will gain extensive knowledge of major historical sociological events and be able to apply the correct sociological theory to those events.

Prerequisites:

None.

**Credit Hours/Contact Hours/Load
hours: 3/3/3**

Target Audience:

Learning Outcomes:

At the conclusion of these courses, students should be able to:

- You will develop your “Sociological Imagination” and practice working with this shift in perspective throughout the course.
- You will gain practice in the analysis of social events and your own lives utilizing different theoretical and epistemological paradigms.
- You will examine processes of socialization/knowledge production in various contexts while developing a basic understanding of research processes.
- You will demonstrate an understanding of various terms used in the study and practice of sociology.
- You will examine connections between sociological theories and sociological practice and begin to analyze how sociological data enter into policy decisions.
- You will learn to think critically about cultures and groups different than your own, including an examination of how knowledge of other cultures may help us think more critically about our own.
- You will begin to identify connections between the production of social identities (such as race, class, gender, sexuality, age, religion, etc.) and historical and contemporary patterns of conflict within the US and between the US and other nations.

- You will begin to analyze how norms and values emerge in coordinated activities organized institutionally; and, also, to examine the roles and impacts of major social institutions on different social identity groups.