

SOCI-2320 - CONTEMPORARY SOCIAL ISSUES IN NATIVE AMERICAN SOCIETIES 3 CREDITS**SYLLABUS**

CATALOG DESCRIPTION

This course will examine current issues, conditions, and contexts affecting Native Americans in the U.S. Students will examine the growth of urban indigenous groups and their adjustments to urbanization, as well as the social, economic, and political achievements of the Southwestern Indians. Students will explore current topics connected with life patterns and issues facing Native Americans, such as health, education, poverty, and traditional lifestyles in transition.

Formerly: SOCI-230

Prerequisites: ENGL-099 and (RDNG-099 OR RDNG-113) or appropriate English and Reading Accuplacer scores.

Semester Offered: Spring

COMMON STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

Upon successful completion of San Juan College programs and degrees, the student will demonstrate competency in...

BROAD AND SPECIALIZED LEARNING

Students will actively and independently acquire, apply, and adapt skills and knowledge with an awareness of global contexts.

CRITICAL THINKING

Students will think analytically and creatively to explore ideas, make connections, draw conclusions and solve problems.

CULTURAL AND CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

Students will act purposefully, reflectively, and ethically in diverse and complex environments.

EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION

Students will exchange ideas and information with clarity in multiple contexts.

INFORMATION LITERACY

Students will be able to recognize when information is needed and have the ability to locate, evaluate, and use it effectively.

INTEGRATING TECHNOLOGIES

Students will demonstrate fluency in the application and use of technologies in multiple contexts.

Student work from this class may be randomly selected and used anonymously for assessment of course, program, and/or institutional learning outcomes. For more information, please refer to the Dean of the appropriate School.

COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES

Upon successful completion of the course, the student will be able to...

Learn: Students will actively and independently acquire, apply and adapt skills and knowledge to develop expertise and a broader understanding of the world as lifelong learners.

Outcomes:

Demonstrate ability to recognize and explain the major contexts within which Native Americans live in contemporary society.

Deepen understanding of contemporary topics in Native American studies.

Recognize how cultural differences in the Native and non-Native worldview are influencing changes in contemporary Native society.

Think: Students will think analytically and creatively to explore ideas, make connections, draw conclusions, and solve problems.

Outcomes:

Demonstrate the ability to analyze and examine the concepts presented through coursework to determine how what is happening in Native society connects to the lives of both Native and non-Native peoples.

Communicate: Students will exchange ideas and information with clarity and originality in multiple contexts.

Outcomes:

Participate actively in class discussions, demonstrating respect for and understanding of the views of others.

Communicate understanding of one's own views and the views of others through written assignments.

Integrate: Students will demonstrate proficiency in the use of technologies in the broadest sense related to their field of study.

Outcomes:

Access and utilize suitable resources, both professional and personal, that assist in deepening knowledge of contemporary Native society.

Act: Students will act purposefully, reflectively, and respectfully in diverse and complex environments.

Outcomes:

Display ability to listen to, and respect, various points of view.

Demonstrate sensitivity to a variety of cultural backgrounds and viewpoints, in class discussions and in written work.

Engage in critical and empathetic analysis of various points of view, including one's own viewpoint and those of Native Studies writers and classmates.