



## SYLLABUS: SOCIOLOGY OF MARRIAGE AND FAMILY – SOCI 215- 3 Credits

### CATALOG DESCRIPTION

This course is an introduction to American marriage(s) & families, focusing primarily on the foundations of the family as an institution in society. Class time will be spent on defining family, reflecting on family history, addressing diversity in family forms, and what makes healthy and unhealthy individuals, family systems, and marriages. Students will be given opportunities to complete individual and group research throughout the term.

Semester Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer

Prerequisites: SOCI 110; APEN 070; APRD 058

#### **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:

1. Have a basic understanding of sociological concepts regarding marriage and family issues.
2. Identify characteristics of healthy and unhealthy family systems.
3. Review the influences of socialization, cultural diversity, and changing gender roles on marriage/family relationships.
4. Identify significant processes included in family life cycles.