SOCY 52  Peer Counseling
Units: 2.0  Hours: 2.0 Lecture
Transferable: CSU
An overview of the principles, skills, and methods used in peer counseling. Course emphasizes using communication skills, goal setting, intervention techniques and evaluation for peer counselors and others. ADVISORY: Eligible for English 250 and English 260.

SOCY 98  Special Topics
Units: .5 TO 3.0  Hours: .5 TO 3.0 Lecture
Transferable: CSU
Special topics courses examine current problems or issues of interest to students within a specific discipline area. For topic content information, consult with the appropriate department chairperson. For transfer status, check with a counselor. This course may have the option of a letter grade or pass/no pass.

SOCY 110  Introduction to Sociology: Social Problems
Units: 3.0  Hours: 3.0 Lecture
Transferable: CSU, UC; CSU-GE:D0, D4; IGETC:4J; GAV-GE:D2, D8
This course provides an overview of how sociologists understand, identify, and address social problems. Students will be introduced to and critically evaluate various theories to explain and analyze social problems, their presence in our lives, and the extent to which they can be defined as social problems. In addition to identifying contemporary social problems, students will explore the root causes of these social problems and search for potential solutions. Some issues that may be examined are: economic globalization, immigration, poverty, inequalities in educational and employment opportunities, race and gender inequality, and the decline in social connections. (C-ID: SOCI 110) ADVISORY: Eligible for English 250 and English 260.

SOC 1A  Introduction to Sociology
Units: 3.0  Hours: 3.0 Lecture
Transferable: CSU, UC; CSU-GE:D0; IGETC:4J; GAV-GE:D2; CAN:SOC2
Analysis of the structure and dynamic of human society focusing on the development of culture, the socialization process, group behavior, social inequality, deviance, sexism, racism, and ageism, major social institutions, and human ecology. Emphasizes contemporary American society. (C-ID: SOCI 110) ADVISORY: Eligible for English 250 and English 260.

SOC 1B  Introduction to Sociology: Social Problems
Units: 3.0  Hours: 3.0 Lecture
Transferable: CSU, UC; CSU-GE:D0, D4; IGETC:4J; GAV-GE:D2; CAN:SOC4
This course provides an overview of how sociologists understand, identify, and address social problems. Students will be introduced to and critically evaluate various theories to explain and analyze social problems, their presence in our lives, and the extent to which they can be defined as social problems. In addition to identifying contemporary social problems, students will explore the root causes of these social problems and search for potential solutions. Some issues that may be examined are: economic globalization, immigration, poverty, inequalities in educational and employment opportunities, race and gender inequality, and the decline in social connections. (C-ID: SOCI 115) ADVISORY: Sociology 1A.

SOC 3  Sociology of Race, Ethnicity and Cultural Identity
Units: 3.0  Hours: 3.0 Lecture
Transferable: CSU, UC; CSU-GE:D0, D3; IGETC:4J; GAV-GE:D2, D8
This course is designed to introduce students to the basic sociological concepts and theories of race, ethnicity and cultural identity in U.S. society. Students will examine race, ethnicity and cultural identity as social constructs that permeate social structures and institutions, and how they change over time and space. Over the semester students will critically analyze the ways which race, ethnicity, class, and gender/sexuality continually shape people’s lives and experiences. While the class focuses on U.S. societies, students will also critically compare and contrast race and ethnicity in other societies. (C-ID: SOCI 150) ADVISORY: Eligible for English 250 and English 260.

SOC 4  Sociology of Women and Men
Units: 3.0  Hours: 3.0 Lecture
Transferable: CSU, UC; CSU-GE:D0, D4; IGETC:4J; GAV-GE:D2
This course is designed to introduce students to gender as a basic organizing principle of social life. Students will examine how gender is socially constructed and how these constructions affect self identity, interpersonal interactions, and inequality in society. Students will critically analyze the interactions of gender with race, class, and sexuality. (C-ID: SOCI 140) ADVISORY: Eligible for English 250 and English 260.