

Liberal Arts – Associate of Arts/Science

Social Sciences

Economics

2080928700 Principles of Macroeconomics

This beginning course focuses on the economy as a whole and how it affects individuals and businesses. With an emphasis on contemporary issues, the course covers the essentials of the market system, alternative economic systems, macroeconomic indicators including GDP, employment and inflation, business cycles, the money and banking system, fiscal and monetary policy, international trade, and the economic issues of developing nations. The goal of the course is to help students understand current national and international economic issues and the impacts of government economic policies both within our own nation and abroad. 3 credits

2080929100 Principles of Microeconomics

This beginning course analyzes individual and business decision making as well as government policy effects on businesses and individuals. The course covers supply, demand, elasticity, consumer behavior, business costs of production, market structures, labor and other resource markets, and international trade effects on business and individuals. The goal of the course is to help students improve individual decision making, understand the behavior of consumers, the basics of business decision-making, and the impact of government intervention in the market. 3 credits

Geography

2080921200 Wisconsin

Examines physical and cultural patterns based on the development of physiographic regions. Emphasizes resources, agriculture, climate, economic, and urban development. 3 credits

2080921500 World Regional Geography

Introduces to regional geography of the world. Emphasizes relationships with, and uses of, the physical and economic world.

2080921600 Human Cultural Geography

Introduces students to tools which geographers use to observe, describe, and analyze the world in which we live, with special emphasis on cultures, people, environments, regions, and their interactions. Emphasis is on using Geographic Information Systems (GIS) in social science setting. 3 credits

History

2080321500 History of American People to 1877

Surveys U.S. political, social, and economic development from the pre-colonial era to the post-Civil War period. Emphasizes reading, writing, and discussion. 3 credits

2080321900 History of American People from 1877

Surveys U.S. political, social, and economic development from the to the post-Civil War era to the present. Emphasizes reading, writing, and discussion. 3 credits

2080322700 American Government

Emphasizes the relationships between structure, behavior, and political process in the development and functioning of the U.S. political system. Addresses political theory, political philosophy, the U.S. Constitution, federalism, elections, federal powers, interest groups, parties, mass media, congress, judiciary, the presidency, the bureaucracy, civil rights, and freedoms in American political cultures. Overviews local and state institutions and foreign policy. 3 credits

2080325800 World History to 1500

Surveys the diversity of the human experience by examining the development and contributions of various civilizations. Emphasizes reading, writing, and discussion. 3 credits

2080325900 World History since 1500

Surveys the development of the human community by examining the development, contributions, and interactions of various civilizations. Emphasizes reading, writing, and discussion. 3 credits

Sociology

2080927100 Introductory Sociology

Studies of human society, including the individual, culture, society, social inequality, social institutions, and social change in the modern world. 3 credits.

2080927200 Valuing Diversity

Examines the sociology of minorities, race, social class, age, gender, and sexual orientation, with emphasis on common elements among individuals and groups of people. 3 credits

2080927500 Marriage and Family

Examines marriage and family relationships in current American society: preparation for marriage, potential problem areas, family planning, divorce, and reconstituted family roles. 3 credits

2080927900 Social Problems

Surveys the major social problems confronting America today, including deviant behavior, inequality, and global social problems. Prerequisite(s): 2080924700 Introductory Sociology (C or better). 3 credits

2080928300 Cultural Anthropology

Introduction to the field of Cultural Anthropology; Examines the characteristics of human cultural groups and the differences and relationships between them using ethnographic methods. 3 credits

Psychology

2080923200 Abnormal Psychology

Introduces students to the essential features and etiology of various psychological disorders. Students are also introduced to contemporary methods of assessment and treatment using the diagnostic system of the DSM-ITV-TR, and to ways of thinking critically about diagnosis of psychological disorders from both historical and contemporary perspectives, including socio-cultural considerations of mental illness.

Prerequisite(s): 2080925100 Introduction to Psychology (C or better). 3 credits

2080925000 Living with Death

Offers a personal and practical introduction to death awareness founded on the premise that living is incomplete without a full and realistic appraisal of our own dying and of the deaths of others for whom we care. 3 credits

2080925100 Introduction to Psychology

Surveys the methods, principles, and theories of psychology as they are applied to understanding, predicting, and modifying human behavior. Essential theoretical perspectives, including cognitive, humanistic, socio-cultural, psychodynamic, learning, and biological/evolutionary inform an understanding of key topics in psychology, among which may include the brain and behavior, development, emotion, memory, motivation, personality, psychological disorders, sensation and perception, thinking, and intelligence. Upon completion, students will be well prepared for more advanced study in the field of contemporary psychology.

2080925200 Developmental Psychology

Study of human development throughout the lifespan. Explores developmental theory and research with an emphasis on the interactive nature of the biological, cognitive, and psychosocial changes that affect the individual from conception to death. Application activities and critical thinking skills will enable students to gain an increased knowledge and understanding of themselves and others. 3 credits

2080925400 Educational Psychology

Explores the psychological theories of development and learning related to education and teaching. Covers the unique diversity of students that we teach as well as exceptionalities. Students examine learning theory and instructional practice as well as issues of motivation and classroom management. Classroom planning and assessment methods and techniques are evaluated. Prerequisite(s): 2080925100 Introduction to Psychology (D- or better). 3 credits