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Considering Declaring a Minor?

Look into the **Law & Society Interdisciplinary Program**. This minor emphasizes the complexity and interrelationship of legal, social, and ethical issues in their historical context. Students examine the role of the legal system and specific legal issues from the perspectives of the social sciences and humanities. The minor explores the connection of the law to the political, economic, and social conflicts within society and examines how the law both reflects and defines basic social values.

The minor consists of seven courses, at least five of which must be upper-division. Students must include at least one course from each of the following academic departments: History, Philosophy, Political Science and Sociology.

Though administered by Warren College, the Law and Society program is open to all UC San Diego students. Students should consult an academic advisor in their college to determine how the Law & Society minor can best meet their college's general education requirements. No upper division overlaps between single majors and minors are permitted. For more details regarding the required courses and elective course options, please contact Gretchen Harris, program director at 858 534-1704 or gharris@ucsd.edu.



Spring Visiting Lecturers

Liberty Walther

SOCC 132 *Gender and Work*

Raymond Clemencon

SOCD 164 *Green Movements and Comparative Environmental Policies*

PLEASE NOTE: Course descriptions for all of the Spring offerings are online and also available in the Sociology main office.



HONORS PROGRAM

Applications for next years Honors Program (Fall 2008/Winter 2009) are now due May 2nd, 2008.

Forms are available in the Sociology office, SSB 401. If you need more information on the Honors Program please contact the undergraduate coordinator, Shannon Goodison at 858-534-4628 or sgoodison@ucsd.edu.

Tracking Your Sociology Major

It is highly recommended that you meet with the undergraduate coordinator, Shannon Goodison, on a regular basis, to monitor your progress in the major.

The required courses for the major that will be offered in Spring 2008 are: SOCL20, SOCL60, and SOCA100.

FACULTY NEWS

Prof **Richard Madsen**, Chair will be giving the Mansfield Freeman Lecture in Asian Studies at Wesleyan University in March. He is also participating in conferences on religion and secularism at the Social Science Research Council in New York, the University of Leiden in Holland, and the Max Weber Center at the University of Erfurt in Germany. Next Fall, he will be teaching in the EAP Joint Program in International Studies in Shanghai, China.

Prof **Bud Mehan** received a \$450,000 grant from the Spencer Foundation for a study of "organizational learning." For the next three years, he and his CREATE colleagues will be examining the processes by which Gompers Charter Middle School and Lincoln High School adapt the principles developed at the UCSD Preuss School. Prof. Mehan and Sociology PhD candidate, Gordon Chang coauthored a paper which has been accepted by the journal *Discourse and Society*. The paper's title is: "Why We Must Attack Iraq: Bush's Reasoning Practices and Argumentation System."

Prof. **Jeffrey Haydu** has a new book due out in April from Cornell University Press. It is called, *CITIZEN EMPLOYERS: Business Communities and Labor in Cincinnati and San Francisco, 1870–1916*, and it examines class formation, not among workers, but among businessmen. Part of the book explores how small proprietors were able to get it together to fight labor (as in Cincinnati) -- or failed to do so (in San Francisco). Another part examines



**“ Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire.”
-William Butler Yeats**

the different civic identities these two bourgeoisies developed. And a third part shows how their civic ideologies transposed into the world of work -- such as how they defined employee rights, how they believed workers should be trained, and how they thought about the sins and virtues of unions. More information on the book can be found on his web page, <http://dss.ucsd.edu/~jhaydu/home.htm>

In response to an invitation by the editor of *Contexts: Understanding People in Their Social Worlds*, a quarterly journal of the ASA, Prof. **Gershon Shafir** wrote “Israeli-Palestinian Peacemaking and Its Discontents.” It appeared in the most recent issue: Vol. 6, No. 4, Fall 2007. It can be found at www.contextsmagazine.org.

Prof. **Isaac Martin’s** book, *The Permanent Tax Revolt*, will be in bookstores this March. You can already order it on Amazon!

Prof. **Andy Scull** appeared in the PBS documentary "The Lobotomist" in the American Experience series, and participated in a post-program on line forum on the subject. The film and exchanges can be seen by googling *The Lobotomist* and looking for the PBS site. He gave a public lecture at the London School of Economics in February on "Mental Health and the Social Sciences in Post-World War II America." Recently his book, *Madhouse*, appeared in Korean translation.

SOCL60 is required prior to taking an upper division cluster A method course. Plan now to take SOCL 60 in Spring so that next year you will be ready to take the method course of your choice, whenever it is offered.



Spring Quarter Course Descriptions

are now available on the Departmental website and in the main office (SSB 401). It's also a good time to start planning the courses you'd like to take next year. The tentative course list for 2008-2009 is also available online. Go to <http://sociology.ucsd.edu/undergra/undergra.htm>



Spring Quarter Course Spotlight

SocD 182 -Ethnicity and Indigenous Peoples in Latin America with Prof. Leon Zamosc will cover ethnicity

and the reassertion of Indian identity in contemporary Latin America. Issues related to these trends are examined in comparative perspective, with attention to changes in global conditions and in the socioeconomic, political, and cultural contexts of Latin American modernization.

Prerequisite: upper-division standing.

Are you missing a course for your Sociology major?

Plan now to take a Sociology course during Summer session, 2008. Check out the Sociology Summer Session courses below. **Please note the list is tentative.** Course descriptions can be found in the general catalog. For additional summer session scheduling information, visit the summer session web site at <http://summersession.ucsd.edu> or call the Summer Session Office at 534-5258.



2008 Sociology Summer Session



Session I (June 30 – August 2)

SOCL 1A *The Study of Society*

Instructor: Mary Blair-Loy

(this is a required course for Sociology majors)

SOCL 40 *Sociology of Health Care Issues*

Instructor: Thomas Waidzunas

SOCB 120S *Special Topics in Culture, Language, and Social Interaction*

Instructor: Jonathan Markovitz

SOCB 162 *Popular Culture*

Instructor: Jonathan Markovitz

SOCC 132 *Gender and Work*

Instructor: Mary Blair-Loy

SOCD 188D *Latin American Society and Politics*

Instructor: Leon Zamosc

Session II (August 4– September 6)

SOCL 1B *The Study of Society*

Instructor: TBD

(this is a required course for Sociology majors)

SOCB 120S *Special Topics in Culture, Language, and Social Interaction*

Instructor: Rebecca Klatch

SOCB 145 *Violence and Society*

Instructor: Ivan Evans

SOCC 129 *The Family*

Instructor: Rebecca Klatch

SOCC 157 *Religion in Contemporary Society*

Instructor: Bennetta Jules-Rosette

PhD in Sociology at UCSD

If you are graduating soon and are considering pursuing a graduate degree in Sociology, why not stay at UCSD? A few facts about our program:

we are a full-time, daytime Ph.D. program accepting students for the Fall of each academic year. We do not accept MA only students or offer a terminal MA degree. The admissions committee generally likes to see a score of 66% and above on the GRE, the minimum GPA is a 3.0 and the average GPA for applicants offered admission is a 3.7. There is no language requirement. We offer funding to many of the students we admit, with the most generous funding going to the top applicants who are best suited for our program. For details about the Sociology's Graduate program go to <http://sociology.ucsd.edu/graduate/graduate.htm> or contact the Sociology graduate program coordinator, Manny dela Paz at edelapaz@ucsd.edu.



Learning is a treasure that will follow its owner everywhere.

-Chinese proverb



Departmental Paper Prize

Each year the Department of Sociology presents an award for the best research paper written by an undergraduate student for a sociology course during the year. Papers are nominated by faculty early in the Spring quarter. The Sociology Department's Undergraduate Program Committee selects the winner from the nominated papers. At the end of the year, the winner is presented with a **\$100.00 gift certificate** to the UCSD bookstore, along with an award certificate. The recipient of this year's award will be announced in the Fall 2008 issue of the Sociopaths newsletter.

ALPHA KAPPA DELTA



The UCSD Chapter of Alpha Kappa Delta (AKD - The International Sociology Honor Society) is accepting members. If you meet the official requirements (listed below) you can become an individual member of the AKD. Membership in AKD is highly recommended, especially for those interested in furthering their academic study in sociology. For more information on AKD, including the benefits you can check their website at <http://www.alpha-kappa-delta.org/>.

The requirements for UCSD membership are as follows:

- 1) Must be an officially declared Sociology major or demonstrate a serious interest in Sociology.
- 2) Must be at least a junior (third year) by standards of the host institution (UC San Diego).
- 3) Must have accumulated the equivalent of an overall GPA of 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale).
- 4) Must have maintained the equivalent of a 3.0 GPA in sociology courses taken at the host institution (UC San Diego) prior to initiation.
- 5) Must have completed at least four regular courses in sociology prior to initiation (exclusive of extension or courses graded pass/fail).

The one-time, lifetime membership due is \$40.00. Accepted members will be honored at an Induction Ceremony and will be able to wear an honor cord at Commencement.

The UCSD Chapter of AKD is managed by the Undergraduate Sociological Association (USA). Please email Nancy at nmadrid@ucsd.edu for any other inquiries.

The deadline to apply is Friday April 4, 2008. You may pick up an application from the Sociology Department's main office or by emailing nmadrid@ucsd.edu. **Join Today!**



Check TritonLink for the latest information on important dates and deadlines.

Spring Quarter

- Enrollment Begins February 13, 2008
- Instruction Begins March 31, 2008
- Instruction Ends June 6, 2008
- Finals June 9 - 13, 2008
- Commencement June 21 - 23, 2008

Upcoming Holidays

- February 18, 2008 President's Day
- March 28, 2008 César Chávez Day
- May 26, 2008 Memorial Day

Summer Session

- Session I, June 30 - August 2
- Session II, August 4 - September 6

SPECIAL STUDIES (SOCE 199)

Also referred to as an *Independent Study*, a special study course provides an opportunity to work individually on a topic of your choice under the guidance of a faculty member of your choice.

For information on how to enroll in a special study, pick up the step-by-step handout available in the main office and the 'Application for UCSD Special Studies Course Enrollment' form.

If you have additional questions regarding an Independent Study, please see Shannon Goodison.



Spring break will be here soon.
March 24—March 28

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