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Curriculum Proposal Cover Sheet - University-Wide Undergraduate Curriculum Committee

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Check all appropriate lines and complete all information. Use a separate cover sheet for each course proposal and/or program proposal.

1. Course Proposals (check all that apply)

New Course Course Prefix Change Course Deletion
 Course Revision Course Number and/or Title Change Catalog Description Change

Current course prefix, number and full title: _____

Proposed course prefix, number and full title, if changing: _____

2. Liberal Studies Course Designations, as appropriate
This course is also proposed as a Liberal Studies Course (please mark the appropriate categories below)

Learning Skills Knowledge Area Global and Multicultural Awareness Writing Across the Curriculum (W Course)
 Liberal Studies Elective (please mark the designation(s) that applies – must meet at least one)

Global Citizenship Information Literacy Oral Communication
 Quantitative Reasoning Scientific Literacy Technological Literacy

3. Other Designations, as appropriate

Honors College Course Other: (e.g. Women's Studies, Pan African)

4. Program Proposals

Catalog Description Change Program Revision Program Title Change New Track
 New Degree Program New Minor Program Liberal Studies Requirement Changes Other

Current program name: **Sociology Honors Program**

Proposed program name, if changing: _____

5. Approvals	Signature	Date
Department Curriculum Committee Chair(s)	<i>Melanie Hildebrandt</i>	5/6/14
Department Chairperson(s)	<i>Aly Heit</i>	5-6-14
College Curriculum Committee Chair	<i>Stephanie...</i>	6/4/14
College Dean	<i>Tom</i>	6/11/14
Director of Liberal Studies (as needed)		
Director of Honors College (as needed)		
Provost (as needed)	<i>Julie S. Muboko (com)</i>	8/20/14
Additional signature (with title) as appropriate		
UWUCC Co-Chairs	<i>Gail Sedquist</i>	9/16/14



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PROPOSED PROGRAM REVISION

Sociology Honors Program

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Students may be invited to apply or may nominate themselves. In either case, to be considered for the Sociology Honors track, students must have earned 15 credit hours in sociology. Sociology majors who have met the eligibility requirements must submit an application to the chairperson of the Department of Sociology after they have earned at least 60 hours, but prior to their senior year. Students are encouraged to apply for the honors program in the last semester of their sophomore or first semester of their junior year.

Current Catalog Description

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The honors program is open by departmental permission to declared sociology majors with a minimum 3.25 GPA and a 3.5 GPA in sociology courses. Students complete CHSS 489 (a multidisciplinary colloquium emphasizing problem solving, discussion, reading, and writing on a topic or theme); SOC 483; and HNRC 499, which fulfills the Liberal Studies synthesis requirement. Students must earn at least a grade of C in each course completed for the track. To determine how honors track courses will be integrated into existing requirements for the sociology major, students should consult with their advisors. Students may be invited to apply or may nominate themselves. In either case, to be considered for the sociology honors track, students must have earned 15 credits in sociology, including SOC 320. Sociology majors who have met the eligibility criteria must submit an application to the chairperson of the Department of Sociology after they have earned at least 60 credits.

Proposed Revisions

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Rationale For Change

These changes are being made due to the elimination of HNRC 499 and CHSS 489 as a result of the Liberal Studies revision process. Additionally, the Sociology Department is able to offer MA level courses in a variety of areas, including theory and methods, all of which will serve Honors track students well as they conduct independent research for their Honors thesis.

Letters of Support or Acknowledgement

See attached.