

This course fills the GEC Social Sciences category for the subcategory (1) Individuals and Groups.

**Goals and Rationale:** Courses in the social sciences develop student understanding of the systematic study of human behavior and cognition and the processes by which individuals, groups, and societies interact and communicate.

GEC Learning Objectives include:

1. Students understand the theories and methods of social scientific inquiry as they are applied to the study of individuals and groups.
2. Students understand the behavior of individuals, differences and similarities in social and cultural contexts of human existence, and the processes by which groups function.
3. Students develop abilities to comprehend and assess individual and group values, and recognize their importance in social problem solving and policy making.