Department: Sociology

Course number: Soci 280W

Title: Urban Sociology

Credits: 3

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Soci 280W. Urban sociology. (Also offered as URBN 280W). Open to sophomores or higher. Prerequisite: Engl 110 or 111 or 250.

W Criteria:

Students will be required to complete a term project of approximately 20 pages. The paper will be on a specific topic of the student’s choice, but will address an issue highly relevant to the course. It will be appropriate therefore to weight the term paper as approximately 40% of the student's grade.

There will be two lectures on writing (covering fundamentals, such as tense, punctuation, referencing, etc.). After students submit their preliminary drafts, additional lectures will address the areas in which students appear to need the most assistance. There will also be individual conferences with students, as they wish or as instructor perceives need.

All students will be required to submit a first draft of the term paper. It will be “marked up” in detail, and returned to students. Those students who are so inclined may then submit a second draft (before the final due date), or simply submit a revised final draft.

Students can only pass the class if they pass the writing portion of the class, and they will be apprised of this in the course syllabus.

Role of Grad Students: None