SOCIAL SCIENCES - ASSOCIATE (SSCS)

SSCS 1000 Power and Social Change — 2 credits
Students will explore power and participation in our society. Topics include race, gender, orientation, origin, religion, language, ability, age and class. There are opportunities to develop knowledge of history and government in relation to the social issues addressed in readings and discussions. Offered in the College for Adults.

SSCS 1400 Immigrants and Refugees — 2 credits
In this course students will study historic and current immigrant and refugee communities. Students apply economic, social and political theory to immigrant and refugee issues. More specifically, students will consider the differences between immigrants and refugees, the reasons immigrants and refugees leave their countries, the treatment of immigrants and refugees in host and home countries and current refugee crisis areas. A special focus is placed on immigrant and refugee communities in the Twin Cities area and on immigrant and refugee women. Students will complete their course work independently and collaboratively, relying on the instructor, other students in the course, research and community-based learning. Offered in the College for Adults.

SSCS 1504 Critical Studies and Social Action Seminar — 4 credits
Students will study power and participation in depth. Topics include race, gender, orientation, origin, religion, language, ability, age and class. There will be opportunities to develop knowledge of history and government in relation to the social issues addressed in readings and discussions. Critical reading, writing and thinking are integral to the course.

SSCS 1681 Directed Study — 1 credit

SSCS 2000 Human Ecology — 2 credits
Students are introduced to the basic concepts of ecosystems in relation to human behavior and human adaptations within these ecosystems. The role of the individual and society in contributing directly and indirectly to the quality of the environment is emphasized along with the impact of current environmental quality on the overall health of humans. Topics include: over-population, various forms of pollution, nutrition and resources. Offered in the College for Adults. Also offered as ECOL 2000.

SSCS 2040 Power, Inequality and Social Change Seminar — 4 credits
This seminar course provides in-depth, critical analysis of uses of power both nationally and globally that result in inequality or, alternatively, in social change. Examples of national and global topics included are: systemic racism and privilege, civil rights in times of crisis, immigrant and refugee settlement, mass incarceration, the global glass ceiling, and social activism. Offered in the College for Adults.

SSCS 2040W Power, Inequality and Social Change — 4 credits
This course provides in-depth, critical analysis of uses of power both nationally and globally that result in inequality or, alternatively, in social change. Examples of national and global topics included are: systemic racism and privilege, civil rights in times of crisis, immigrant and refugee settlement, mass incarceration, the global glass ceiling, and social activism. Offered in the College for Adults.

SSCS 2400 Human Rights Seminar — 2 credits
This online course is designed to increase global awareness by exploring such issues as human rights and effective models for global political activism. Particular attention is given to current global issues. There is a community involvement element in this course.