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As an honors course, the course focuses on critically analyzing sociological literature and research specific sociological topics, identifies and analyzes contemporary social problems, with emphases on the U.S., cross-cultural comparisons, and globally. The course focuses on the role of power and ideology in the definition of social problems, identifying the causes of various social problems and consequences, and evaluating proposed solutions. The course provides a comprehensive overview in current events, policy debates, and emerging social trends. This honors course emphasizes on analytical writing and exploring the field through reading primary sociological research.

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