

Beyond the Bars

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COURSES

College Connections SOC 199 *1 credit*

Social Inequality

SOC 207 - WEB Course Core Education Social Science (>2) US: Difference, Inequality, and Agency (>US) 4 credits

Power, Politics, and Inequality

PS 106 - WEB Course Core Education Social Science (>2) US: Difference, Inequality, and Agency (>US) 4 credits

CALENDAR

First FIG Meeting

You will get to meet your FIG classmates, FIG Assistant (FA), and Faculty before classes start!

Check your FIG page in September to find out more details.

ACADEMIC TEAM

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ABOUT THIS FIG

College Connections

When the United States of America incarcerates the highest number of people per capita in the world, the title of mass incarceration seems warranted. How do we talk about the ethics of mass incarceration in America? Is there only one perspective? In this FIG, we will discuss those questions by examining the perspectives of a multiplicity of writers and speakers engaged with the criminal justice system. Additionally, this FIG includes a tour of Lane County Jail in Eugene and a tour of Oregon State Penitentiary, a maximum-security prison in Salem. This FIG will provide space for students to learn about issues of incarceration, while also forming a community of students who support and encourage each other.

Social Inequality

Our world is structured by unequal social relations that permeate all aspects of our lives. All societies have systems of stratification which result in the unequal distribution of economic, social, and political resources. These systems of stratification are complex, pervasive, and persistent yet highly variable. Focusing primarily on the United States, we will explore the structural bases of inequality by examining primarily three intersecting stratification systems: class, race, and gender. We will also examine some individual and collective experiences of people differently located in these systems of stratification.

Power, Politics, and Inequality

Examines power and politics through the lens of inequality, focusing on the constant struggle between the haves and the have-nots. The primary purpose of this course is to challenge students to re-explore the nation's most salient political struggles through the lens of inequality and discrimination, rather than focusing on the values of democracy and majority rule—students will examine how our nation's history is energized by the constant battle to resolve conflicts that pit majority wants against minority demands.

NEXT STEPS

After you're registered for your FIG, you will want to check out the Meet Your FIG page (<u>https://fyp.uoregon.edu/fall-2020-figs</u>). This page will have everything you need to know before the beginning of fall term, including how to email your FIG Assistant, if you have a summer assignment, and when you will be meeting your FIG for the first time in September. In order to prepare for your coursework and be notified about important academic deadlines you will want to download the "Canvas" and "Navigate" apps to your phone or any device you will be using. If you have questions about anything, make sure you email your FIG Assistant – they are here to help!



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KEY	Your FIG College Connections Class.		The lecture courses associated with		Your discussion
	Meet once a week with 20 peers, Faculty, and FIG Assistant (FA).		your FIG.		or lab section for lecture courses.

This FIG has an asynchronous remote class (which appears on the UO class schedule as "WEB") that does not appear on this schedule. You are enrolled in all of the FIG classes, and can see them when you log on to Duckweb.

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