# Course Syllabus

## Course Title:
Sociology of Deviance

## Department:
Social Sciences

## Curriculum:
Sociology

## Course Code:
SOC*242

## Prerequisites:
C- or better in Composition (ENG*101) AND Principles of Sociology (SOC*101)

## Elective Type:
G/LAS/SS

## Ability Based Education (ABE) Statement:
At Tunxis Community College students are assessed on the knowledge and skills they have learned. The faculty identified the General Education Abilities critical to students' success in their professional and personal lives. In every class, students are assessed on course abilities, sometimes program abilities, and, in most classes, at least one General Education Ability. Students will receive an evaluation of the degree to which they have demonstrated or not demonstrated that General Education Ability.

## Catalog Course Description:
A sociological analysis of deviant behaviors and subcultures. Sociological theories of deviance will be examined and applied to the following topics: alcohol and drug use, violence, mental illness, crime, and sexual behavior. Special attention will also be given to social groups and communities whose customs and way of life are considered to be unconventional by contemporary standards.

## Topical Outline:
1. Sociological theories of deviant behavior (approximately three weeks)
2. Violence – Individual and Collective
3. Mental Illness
4. Sexual Deviance

## Contact Hours:
- Lecture: 3
- Clinical: 0
- Lab: 0
- Studio: 0
- Other: 0
- TOTAL: 3

## Credit Hours:
3

## Corequisites:
None

## Other Requirements:
None

## Other:

## Developmental:
No

## Date Submitted:
Fall 2017 (AAC: 17-53)
## Sociology of Deviance

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Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to do the following:

### COURSE:
1. identify and describe the major sociological theories of deviance
2. apply theoretical perspectives to the study of deviant behaviors and unconventional groups
3. describe and explain the social processes through which behaviors and social groups are identified as deviant

### PROGRAM: (Numbering reflects Program Outcomes as they appear in the college catalog)

N/A

### COMPETENCIES FULFILLED:

**Social Phenomena** - Students will develop an increased understanding of the influences that shape a person’s, or group’s attitudes, beliefs, emotions, symbols, and actions, and how these systems of influence are created, maintained, and altered by individual, familial, group, situational or cultural means.

- **Demonstrates**: Accurately and sufficiently explains factors that influence and shape a person’s or group’s attitudes, beliefs, decisions, and actions.
- **Does Not Demonstrate**: Inaccurately or insufficiently explains factors that influence and shape a person’s or group’s attitudes, beliefs, decisions, and actions.

**Ethical Dimensions (embedded)** - Students will identify ethical principles that guide individual and collective actions and apply those principles to the analysis of contemporary social and political problems.

- **Demonstrates**: Identifies and reflects critically on ethical issues presented in classroom instruction or in assigned co-curricular or civic activities and/or professional internships and practica.
- **Does Not Demonstrate**: Does not sufficiently identify or reflect critically on ethical issues presented in classroom instruction or in assigned co-curricular or civic activities and/or professional internships and practica.

### Evaluation:
Assessment will be based on the following criteria:
1. tests (4)
2. written assignments (2)

### Instructional Resources:

**Required**: None

**Desired**: Textbook(s) Refer to current academic year printout.