

About the Department

The Sociology Department at SUNY Oneonta consists of eight full-time faculty members and 6 part-time faculty or internship supervisors working in their respective fields. The Department offers Sociology majors with either a traditional liberal arts track, a Human Services pre-professional track, or a Community and Environment track. In addition, we offer a Criminal Justice major and a Gerontology Studies major. Students can also choose to minor in any Sociology track, Criminal Justice, or Gerontology Studies.

Internships are available for all students, though only required of the Human Services Pre-Professional Track majors. These can provide valuable experience prior to entering the workforce, particularly for Criminal Justice and Human Services track majors.

The Department participates in the Center for Social Science Research. CSSR sponsors public events and publishes faculty-student research through its website. Research opportunities are available through invitation of a faculty member or, alternatively, through the initiation of the student.

Full Time Faculty

Lisa Curch, *Associate Professor*. (Ph.D., University of Kentucky). Areas of teaching and research interests include gerontology, sociology of the life course and the family.

Ho Hon Leung, *Associate Professor*. (Ph.D., McGill University). Areas of teaching and research interests include race and ethnic relations, immigration and immigrants, aging, and comparative sociology.

Nancy Kleniewski, *Professor*. (Ph.D., Temple University). Areas of teaching and research interests include community and urban studies. She is president of the college.

Brian Lowe, *Assistant Professor*. (Ph.D. University of Virginia). Areas of teaching and research interests include sociological theory; social movements & religion and the sociology of culture.

Fida Mohammad, *Associate Professor and Department Head*. (Ph.D., University of Oregon). Areas of teaching and research interests include criminal justice, policing, Islam, and terrorism.

Alexander R. Thomas, *Associate Professor*. (Ph.D., Northeastern University). Areas of teaching and research interests include deviant behavior, urban and community sociology, political economy, and social change.

Gregory Fulkerson, *Assistant Professor*. (Ph.D., North Carolina State University). Areas of teaching and research interests include rural sociology, community sociology, environmental sociology, and global social change and development.

Jeffery Dennis, *Assistant Professor*. (Ph.D., SUNY- Stony Brook). Areas of teaching and research interests include crime, gender, and sexuality studies.

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Gerontology Studies

The Academic Study of Aging and the Elderly



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Gerontology Studies Major
Gerontology Studies Minor

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Gerontology Studies Major Requirements

Required Courses (15-18 s.h.)

		Credits
SOCL 100	Introduction to Sociology	3 s.h.
SOCL 233	Aging, Generations & Society	3 s.h.
SOCL 209	Social Research Methods	3 s.h.
SOCL 392	Social Policy & Life Course Studies	3 s.h.
<i>Select one:</i>		
SOCL 390	Senior Seminar in Sociology	3 s.h.
SOCL 397	Field Experiences in Sociology (or Prior Experience Waiver)	0/3 s.h.
PSYC 345	Psychology of Adulthood & Aging (prerequisites: "C" or better in PSYC 100, 110 or STAT 101, 220 or SOCL 309, or instructor's permission)	3 s.h.

Related Courses (6 s.h.)

PSYC 100	Introduction to Psychology	3 s.h.
STAT 101	Introduction to Statistics	3 s.h.

Sociology Electives (9 s.h.)

Select three:

SOCL 231	Comparative Aging: A Global Perspective	
SOCL 234	Families & Aging	
SOCL 235	Theories in Family Studies	
SOCL 256	Sociology of Aging & Health	
SOCL 257	Sociology of Health & Illness	
SOCL 397	Field Experiences in Sociology (for a maximum of 3 s.h.) (Cannot be used for both the core requirement and for elective credit)	
SOCL 399	Independent Study in Sociology (for a maximum of 3 s.h.)	

Interdisciplinary Electives (9 s.h.):

Select three (must be from at least 2 different departments):

ANTH 219 Anthropology of Death, ANTH 232 Human Biology & Culture Change, ANTH 236 Health & Healing in Cross-Cultural Perspective,* COMM 254 Intercultural Communication, CONS 252 Personal Law, FAMS 264 Adulthood & Aging,* FAMS 266 Adult Family Members in Transition,* NUTR 247 Nutrition Across the Lifespan,* PHIL 102 Ethics, PHIL 206 Philosophy of Life & Death,* PHED 202 Current Health Problems & Issues, PHED 330 Fitness-Lifestyle Components, POLS 329 Public Policy, PSYC 240 Developmental Psychology, PSYC 260 Introduction to Social Psychology

**Some electives have prerequisites (check departmental listings), but the major can be completed using courses that have a prerequisite of 3 s.h. SOCL, a prerequisite of a particular standing (e.g. SoS) or no prerequisite.*

TOTAL PROGRAM

39-42 s.h.

Gerontology Studies Minor Requirements

Required Courses (9 s.h.)

		Credits
SOCL 100	Introduction to Sociology	3 s.h.
SOCL 233	Aging, Generations and Society (prerequisite: 3 s.h. SOCL)	3 s.h.
SOCL 392	Social Policy & Life Course Studies (prerequisite: JrS and 6 s.h. in Social Science)	3 s.h.

Sociology Electives (6 s.h.)

Select two:

SOCL 231	Comparative Aging: A Global Perspective	
SOCL 234	Families & Aging	
SOCL 256	Sociology of Aging & Health	
SOCL 257	Sociology of Health & Illness	
SOCL 294	Selected Topics in Sociology (May count depending on the topic and with the approval of the Chair)	
SOCL 399	Independent Study in Sociology (for a maximum of 3 s.h.)	

Interdisciplinary Electives (6 s.h.)

Select two (from 2 different departments):

ANTH 219 Anthropology of Death, ANTH 232 Human Biology & Culture Change, ANTH 236 Health & Healing in Cross-Cultural Perspective,* COMM 254 Intercultural Communication, CONS 252 Personal Law, FAMS 264 Adulthood & Aging,* FAMS 266 Adult Family Members in Transition,* NUTR 247 Nutrition Across the Lifespan,* PHIL 102 Ethics, PHIL 206 Philosophy of Life & Death,* PHED 202 Current Health Problems & Issues, PHED 330 Fitness-Lifestyle Components, POLS 329 Public Policy, PSYC 240 Developmental Psychology, PSYC 260 Introduction to Social Psychology

**Some electives have prerequisites (check departmental listings), but the major can be completed using courses that have a prerequisite of 3 s.h. SOCL, a prerequisite of a particular standing (e.g. SoS) or no prerequisite.*

TOTAL PROGRAM

21 s.h.

Gerontology Studies students have several options for the future:

- Further study in Gerontology in MA, MSW and PhD programs
- Services for elderly people and their families – social services and case management, elder care, human resources, legal services, financial services
- Administration and program planning/evaluation
- Advocacy and training