

# Bemidji State University

## SOC 3230: Social Psychology

### A. COURSE DESCRIPTION

Credits: 3

Lecture Hours/Week: \*.\*

Lab Hours/Week: \*.\*

OJT Hours/Week: \*.\*

Prerequisites: None

Corequisites: None

MnTC Goals: None

An overview of theory and research in social psychology from a sociological viewpoint. Emphasizes the impact of social location on thought, behavior, and emotion. Explores patterns of interpersonal relationships and small group processes, and why humans establish certain "taken-for-granted" meaning systems and ways of being. Prerequisite: SOC 1104 or consent of instructor.

**B. COURSE EFFECTIVE DATES:** 01/09/2007 - Present

### C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS

1. "What is Real"?
2. Social Exchange Theory
3. Rational Choice Theory
4. Boundaries
5. Building and Breaching Reality
6. Helping and Reward Exchange
7. Meaning Negotiated Through Interaction
8. Presentation of Self & Stigma

### D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)

1. attempt to understand why human establish certain "taken-for-granted" meaning systems and ways of being.
2. explore patterns of interpersonal relationships and small group processes.
3. explore the cultural production process and how change occurs.

### E. Minnesota Transfer Curriculum Goal Area(s) and Competencies

None

### F. LEARNER OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT

As noted on course syllabus

### G. SPECIAL INFORMATION

None noted