Bemidji State University

SOC 3040: Global Issues

A. COURSE DESCRIPTION

 Credits: 3
 Lecture Hours/Week: *.*
 Lab Hours/Week: *.*
 OJT Hours/Week: *.*
 Prerequisites: None
 Corequisites: None
 MnTC Goals: None

 Study of global and local forces that affect groups, organizations, institutions, and societies. Involves an exploration of the rise of contemporary social issues, with a particular focus on developments associated with ethnic, religious, and regional affiliations and shifting social, economic, and political alliances. Students will have a chance to explore the development of global patterns of stratification and its effects on particular groups and societies.

B. COURSE EFFECTIVE DATES: 01/14/2013 - Present

C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS

 1. Food & Us
 2. Pizza
 3. Follow the Money
 4. Water
 5. Climate Change
 6. Access to Food
 7. Conflict
 8. Hunger
 9. Politics
 10. Social Movements
 11. Solutions

D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)

 1. compare and contrast patterns of inequality and social change in global food topics.
 2. demonstrate how food-related issues underlie struggles in and between communities, cultures, and nations across the world.
 3. describe the various aspects of power and privilege that are aligned with global food issues.
 4. explain how economic and political interests are involved in global food trends.
 5. identify current and future food-related problems in the U.S. and other contemporary societies.

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

 None

F. LEARNER OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT

 As noted on course syllabus
G. SPECIAL INFORMATION

None noted