**SOC 4320 F23**

This course examines the criminological study of deviance and social control through focusing on a diverse range of contemporary issues and research in the field. Together we will examine how society frames and reacts to deviance with regard to youth, gender, race, Indigeneity, sexuality, health, substance use, social media, and more. Course topics and readings will be contemplated through the lens of sociological theoretical understandings of crime and deviance. Throughout the class, we will examine the everyday lived realities of those who are defined as deviant, with particular attention to the social, institutional, and criminological implications of deviant identities.

This full credit, fourth-year course is a reading-intensive, discussion-based course. Class time will employ a seminar-style approach and will be centered around peer-led in-depth discussion of the readings. Evaluation will include written assignments (an outline, and research paper), a presentation (focusing on and applying selected readings), and participation (engaging in class discussion, submitting questions on readings, and peer evaluations).

All readings will be provided through CourseLink or the Library.

While this class is listed as being in-person, hybrid options will be made available, where possible.