Course Information
Division: Humanities/ Social Sciences
Contact Hours: 45
Total Credits: 3

Prerequisites: RDG 090 and ENGL 090 or qualifying scores on accepted placement tests.

Course Description
This course examines marriage and family at various periods in American history in order to assess the same today. Topics include the variety of households, divorce, working parents, male-female relationships and economic influences on marriage and family. Partisan political views on the family are discussed.

Course Outcomes
In order to evidence success in this course, students will be able to:

1. Discuss the significance of marriage and the family in contemporary society.
2. Explain how the family, as a social institution, is impacted by historical, economic, and political trends.
3. Analyze the factors contributing to family formation from the perspective of multiple sociological theories.
4. Evaluate sociological data pertaining to trends and patterns in marriage and divorce practices.

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