Course Description:
The course is designed to provide students with practical and applied experience in the Sociology, Anthropology or Criminology career fields. It is an exceptional opportunity for students to take what they have learned in the classroom and apply this knowledge. Students will communicate weekly with the internship coordinator, work the required number of hours, complete required writing assignments, and receive a favorable evaluation from the employer before receiving credit.

Course Prerequisites:
SOC 1000 or CRIM 2022 or CRIM 2025 or ANTH 1001 or ANTH 1002; junior standing, 60 completed hours; major GPA 2.80 or higher. Consent of instructor and department head. Completion of internship orientation.

Writing Assignments:
1. An initial report (1-3 pages) due after completing 16 hours of work in the field. The report identifies the following items and questions.
   1. Identify and describe the agency or organization where you intern. What is its mission, jurisdiction, and clientele. How is it organized?
   2. What role are/will you be performing? What are your expected duties and activities?
   3. Do you have any concerns about this internship?
   4. List at least three learning goals you would like to achieve during this internship, and discuss what you plan to get out of this internship experience.

2. Journal. You are to keep a detailed daily journal that documents your experiences and observations while doing the internship. You are expected to relate what you are leaning and observing on the job and to what you have learned in the classroom. The journaling assignment is due to the internship coordinator after completion of each 40 hours of work. Journal entries should include, but are not limited to the following:
   1. Description of a typical work shift.
   2. Has the internship met your expectations?
   3. What problems or challenges have you encountered?
   4. Assess how well you are attaining your learning objectives for this internship.
   5. Provide some general observations about the agency and/or your experiences.
3. Field interview. Due after completion of 80 hours of work experience. You are to conduct at least one interview with someone working at your internship agency, focusing on their experiences relating to their job. Before the interview develop and write out interview questions. Please submit the questions to the internship coordinator before the interview. Questions should include, but are not limited to the following:

1. What is your background?
2. What do you like most about your job/like least about your job?
3. What do you do during a typical day at work?
4. What advice would you give someone who would like someday to have your job?
5. What are some of the problems or challenges you have faced?

4. Essay. At least 10 pages due at the end of the last week of class. Write an essay about your internship. This essay should be based on your initial report, journal, field interview and anything else you deem pertinent. The essay should include but is not limited to the following:

1. An overview of the internship organization and the student’s role in the organization.
   a. Critique the agency strengths and weaknesses
   b. Are there ways to improve the agency?
   c. Do you recommend this placement for future students? Why/why not.
2. How has your criminological/sociological/anthropological knowledge given you insight into what you have observed?
3. Identify and comment on two concepts from your coursework that you think might relate to your internship.
4. Discussion of ethical issues and dilemmas associated with your internship. Include in your essay a discussion of any ethical concerns you had during your internship.
5. Have your beliefs changed as a result of the internship? How?
6. Summarize your overall internship.
   a. What was beneficial/what was not? Why?
   b. How has it affected you?
   c. Has it affected your career goals?