

CSDE 502 Population Studies Proseminar I (1 Credit)

Fall 2003

Population studies is an interdisciplinary endeavor and CSDE's strength is in the diversity of its affiliate members and departments. There are active faculty from over eight departments and schools including Sociology, Anthropology, Geography, Economics, Statistics, Social Work, Public Affairs, and Urban Planning. This course is an attempt to expose students to the breadth and depth of expertise within CSDE. Each week staff or faculty will visit the class to discuss aspects of their research and expertise.

For the faculty discussions in weeks 4 through 11 there will be one or two readings available beforehand from visiting faculty. I expect students to read these before class and contribute to discussion.

The course is evaluated as credit/no credit. Active engagement and discussion are required for a grade of credit.

SCHEDULE

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| <i>30-Sep</i> | 1. Introductions | |
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CSDE Resources

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| <i>7-Oct</i> | 2. CSDE Resources: Library | Claire Lev |
| <i>14-Oct</i> | 3. CSDE Resources: Computing | Nathan Cosgray |

CSDE Research Themes

Short discussions led by a faculty affiliate on their research. This may include the following topics: future directions in the respective demographic subfield, and information on relevant courses offered. In most cases, students will read an assigned piece of research and participate in a discussion. Everyone is expected to contribute to this discussion.

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| <i>21-Oct</i> | 4. Family Demography | Julie Brines (Soc) |
| <i>28-Oct</i> | 5. Biodemography | Darryl Holman (Anthro) |
| <i>4-Nov</i> | 6. Inequality, Diversity and Opportunity | Mark Ellis (Geog) |
| <i>11-Nov</i> | 7. Off: Veterans Day | |
| 18-Nov | 8. Off | |
| <i>25-Nov</i> | 9. Economic Dev and Demographic Change | Bill Lavelly (Soc) |
| <i>2-Dec</i> | 10. Health | Martina Morris (Soc) |
| <i>9-Dec</i> | 11. Methods | Katherine Stovel (Soc) |