

**LEHMAN COLLEGE
OF THE
CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK**

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY

CURRICULUM CHANGE

1. **Type of Change:** Course title and description

2. **From:** ~~Strike through the changes~~

Department(s)	Sociology
Career	☒ Undergraduate ☐ Graduate
Academic Level	☒ Regular ☐ Compensatory ☐ Developmental ☐ Remedial
Subject Area	Sociology
Course Prefix & Number	SOC 243
Course Title	The Aged in Modern Society
Description	The changing role of the elderly in the family and work force; styles of life of the elderly; systems and organizations that service the elderly; problems of leisure and retirement.
Pre/ Co Requisites	
Credits	3
Hours	3
Liberal Arts	☒ Yes ☐ No
Course Attribute (e.g. Writing Intensive, WAC, etc)	
General Education Component	☒ Not Applicable ☐ Required ☐ English Composition ☐ Mathematics ☐ Science ☐ Flexible ☐ World Cultures ☐ US Experience in its Diversity ☐ Creative Expression ☐ Individual and Society ☐ Scientific World

3. **To:** Underline the changes

Department(s)	Sociology
Career	☒ Undergraduate ☐ Graduate
Academic Level	☒ Regular ☐ Compensatory ☐ Developmental ☐ Remedial
Subject Area	Sociology
Course Prefix & Number	SOC 243
Course Title	<u>Aging in Society</u>
Description	<u>How social, cultural, and historical factors shape the experience of aging. Focus on theoretical perspectives and research evidence to understand how individuals and social structures interact to produce diverse aging experiences and outcomes.</u>
Pre/ Co Requisites	
Credits	3
Hours	3
Liberal Arts	☒ Yes ☐ No
Course Attribute (e.g. Writing Intensive, WAC, etc)	
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4. **Rationale (Explain how this change will impact the learning outcomes of the department and Major/Program):**

This proposal to change the course name and description will bring the course in alignment with current disciplinary approaches to social gerontology and aging which has changed in the last several decades. As such the change in description and title better reflects current sociological approaches to aging, and the change in title has

removed out-dated and offensive language. These changes will better align the course with the departmental learning outcomes without impact to those outcomes.

5. **Date of departmental approval:** 3/30/2026