SOSC121L: Ethnography of Work

This course introduces students to anthropological perspectives and social science research methods as they investigate a range of careers. The course approaches work as a cultural system invested with meanings, norms, values, customs, behavioral expectations, and hierarchies. Through ethnographic techniques, students evaluate the myths and stereotypes about work, as well as gain insight into how and why work matters to individuals. Work life is examined in the context of contemporary dynamics of disruption, uncertainty, innovation, and diversity. Assignments encourage students to draw connections between the self and work so they are prepared to make informed decisions about majors and career paths.

Credits 3 Lab Hours 0 Class Hours 3