PSYCHOLOGY/COMMUNITY (PCOM)

PCOM 245 - Introduction to Community Psychology  3 Credits
Prerequisite(s): PSYC 101. Integration of social psychology with mental health in the resolution of problems in the community. Social psychological theories and empirical strategies are used to study the dynamics of power, membership, change and deviance. Accent is also on comprehensive mental health center and roles of community psychologist. 3 hours lecture.

PCOM 385 - Advanced Community Psychology: Externship  3 Credits
Prerequisite(s): PCOM 245. Supervision is provided in a variety of community action programs which have preventive as well as treatment goals. Day and hour assignments can usually be arranged, but effective study participation will require a 3 hour block of time in order to serve directly in a community setting.

PCOM 387 - Methods in Evaluation Research  4 Credits
Prerequisite(s): PCOM 385. This course focuses on the application of psychological research methods and knowledge to the evaluation of the effectiveness or ineffectiveness of community programs. Emphasis will be on techniques for program planning and for constructive innovations in community settings. Meets the University Writing Requirement for majors in Psychology. 4 hours lecture.

PCOM 391 - Cooperative Education in Psychology  4-9 Credits
Prerequisite(s): Departmental approval. The cooperative education option integrates academic study with a supervised employment experience outside the formal classroom environment. The co-op term is a semester off-campus, during which a student is supervised by a faculty coordinator and the Office of Cooperative Education, and is responsible for completing the terms of a learning contract. Contact Office of Cooperative Education.