



# Capitalism and America

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**FIG 9 • Fall 2019**

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**11 credits**

for “direct admit” students in the Wisconsin School of Business

## MAIN CLASS

History Department 200

### Capitalism and America

## LINKED CLASS

Economics 101

### Principles of Microeconomics

## LINKED CLASS

Sociology 134

### Sociology of Race and Ethnicity in the United States

For many, capitalism and the United States are inseparable. How can studying capitalism enrich

our understanding of American society, politics, and culture? This FIG will take an interdisciplinary approach to this question, examining capitalism as both a theory and a contested idea that heavily shaped U.S. history. How has capitalism changed over time? How has it served to justify political and economic action? How have people from different backgrounds articulated capitalism’s promises and pitfalls? The main FIG seminar will be **History 200: “Capitalism and America.”** This seminar will tackle these questions while also considering the perspectives of the linking classes as we investigate the ways capitalism has ordered American life.

**Economics 101: “Principles of Microeconomics”** — Economics is the study of the production, allocation and distribution of goods and services in a world where

resources are scarce. In this class we will explore some basic concepts: the notion of scarcity and how it relates to opportunity cost; supply and demand; taxation and other government programs; externalities and public goods; production and cost theory; perfect competition, monopoly and other types of market structures; factor markets; and consumer theory.

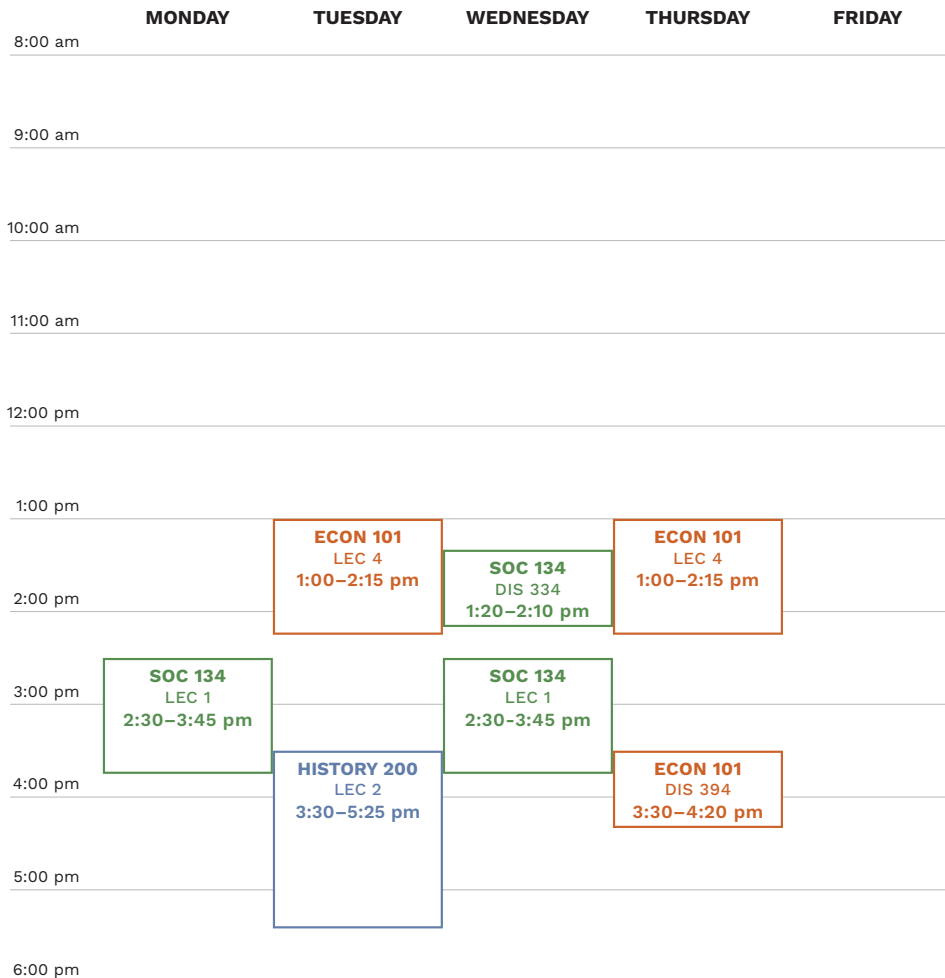
**Sociology 134: “Sociology of Race and Ethnicity in the United States”** — This class provides a sociological approach to race and ethnicity in which we consider race and ethnicity as social constructs that permeate social life, are entrenched in social structures and institutions, and shift over time and space. We will examine the particular historical and contemporary ways in which race and ethnicity are made meaningful in the United States. ●

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FIG classes are designed to be taken together. When you enroll in a FIG, you are signed up for these classes as a whole group, not as separate classes.

**Dropping one FIG class means ending your enrollment in all of the classes in the FIG.**

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- You can drop all the classes on your own at [enroll.wisc.edu](http://enroll.wisc.edu). Any non-FIG class will not be affected.
- After classes begin, if you need to drop a single class within the FIG, please contact Kari Fernholz (see below) to review your situation. If necessary, she will provide the required authorization to drop the class.
- Wednesday, September 11, 2019** is the last day to drop a class without it appearing on your college transcript.
- Friday, September 13, 2019** is the last day to add a class without first getting department permission.

## MAIN CLASS

History Department 200

## Capitalism and America

LEC 2: T 3:30–5:25

- Humanities or Social Science
- Intermediate
- Honors Optional

credits: 3

class number: **63714**

## LINKED CLASS

Economics 101

## Principles of Microeconomics

LEC 4: TR 1:00–2:15 +

DIS 394: R 3:30–4:20

- Quantitative Reasoning Part B
- Social Science
- Elementary

credits: 4

class number: **46300**

## LINKED CLASS

Sociology 134

## Sociology of Race and Ethnicity in the United States

LEC 1: MW 2:30–3:45 +

DIS 334: W 1:20–2:10

- Ethnic Studies
- Social Science
- Elementary

credits: 4

class number: **56775**



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