## WILMINGTON UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF SOCIAL & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES CLASS INFORMATION & SCHEDULE

FACULTY MEMBER:

TERM:

COURSE TITLE: Homelessness in America

COURSE NUMBER: SOC 321

OFFICE HOURS/METHOD OF CONTACT:

## I. COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Today's social landscape consists of a myriad of complex issues that negatively impact society's well-being. Homelessness in America is a social issue that affects hundreds of thousands of individuals and families on an annual basis. The purpose of this course is to give the student a basic understanding of homelessness in America. Students will learn the social and economic factors that contribute to homelessness. In addition to understanding the causes of homelessness, this course will also examine the public policy and non-profit sector responses to homelessness.

## **II. RATIONALE**

The purpose of the course is to give the student an understanding of homelessness and the social and economic factors that cause homelessness. This course will also examine the intersection between public and private sector solutions by providing a historical overview of the social policies that have been developed to address homelessness and a survey of non-profit community development activities aimed at preventing and ending homelessness.

**III. COURSE OBJECTIVES** 

B-1: Identify the key social issues that cause homelessness among individuals, families, and youthB-2: Identify the key economic factors that contribute to homelessness among individuals, families, and youth

GOAL C: