What happens in Vegas? Find out for yourself.



SOC 496: CAPSTONE The Sociological Imagination and Las Vegas

FALL 2015

Tuesday/Thursday 10:00am - 11:15am

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The Capstone in Sociology Seminar is a research project based course that will focus on social problems in Las Vegas. Through research, the class will examine and make sense of "what happens in Vegas." We will approach Las Vegas as a social laboratory for investigating the social world(s) that we live in and near.

The <u>Fall 2015 Capstone</u> project will work closely with a local neighborhood-based community engagement effort that includes neighborhood residents, Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, social service providers, school officials, housing organizations, homelessness providers, neighborhood businesses, and many others. The course will focus on understanding the dynamic nature of the relationships among and between neighborhood environments, poverty, crime, children and youth, education, police relationships, community engagement, and quality of life.