사 회 학 과

(DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY)

1. About the Department

The Department of Sociology at Yeungnam University was established in 1980. It began to offer its Master of Arts courses in 1980 and the Doctor of Philosophy program was available from 2000. For the last two decades of graduate education, it has produced forty M.A.s and twenty-five Ph.D.s. As of March 2019, it has an enrollment of twelve students in the Ph.D. degree program and eight students in the M.A. degree program.

The mission of the sociology program at Yeungnam University Graduate School mirrors the mission of the university, that is, to educate and nurture students and turn out graduates with excellent leadership and professionalism, encouraging them to contribute to the development of the local community as well as the country. To achieve this goal, the department provides all students entering the program with strong basic training in research methods, theory, and analytic techniques, as well as instruction in several major substantive areas. Students are expected to complete the M.A. degree in two years, after which time they are given a chance to consider entering into the Ph.D. program. The Ph.D. program involves coursework and intensive study in one of the department’s several areas of concentration, completion of written comprehensive exams, and completion of a dissertation.

2. Faculty

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| Position | Name | Education | Areas of Interest |
| Professor | Kim, Han Gon | Ph.D., 1985, Univ. of Texas at Austin, USA | Demography |
| Professor | Park, Seung Woo | Ph.D., 1991, University of Georgia, USA | Political Sociology |
| Professor | Chung, YongKyo | Ph.D., 1998, Kyungpook University, Korea | Social Education |
| Professor | Huh, Changdeog | Ph.D., 2006, Southern Illinois University, USA | Social Problems |

3. Courses

■ Basic major courses

Advanced Applied Statistics Seminar

Seminar in Social Development

Studies in Social Psychology

Advanced Social Statistics

Seminar in Sociological Theory

■ Major courses

Independent Study Ⅰ, Ⅱ

Special Seminar in Sociology

Sociology of Cyberspace

Family and Social Structure

Aging Society and the Elderly Issues

Sociology of Industrial Relations

Studies in Multicultural Society

Analysis of Mass Culture

Social Inequality and Stratification

Seminar in Demography

Studies in Sociology of Everyday Life

Analysis of Deviant Behavior

Political Sociology

Korean Family

Seminar on Social Problems of Korean Society

Korean Social History

Public Health and Medical Service of Korea

Rural and Urban Society in Korea

Seminar on Civic Movement and NGO in Korea

Contemporary Issues and Analysis I, II

The State and Social Classes in Contemporary Korea

Sociology of Environmental Problems

■ 기초공통(Basic Major Courses)

고급사회통계학세미나 3 credit

(ADVANCED APPLIED STATISTICS SEMINAR)

This course deals with topics, such as descriptive statistics and inferential statistics as well as in terms of positivism which is one of the main stream of sociological methodology in the 21st century. In this context, cross tabulation analysis, t-test, correlation analysis, regression analysis, discriminant analysis, path analysis and logistic regression analysis will be discussed. The SPSS statistical package will be introduced for statistical analysis.

사회발전연구 3 credit

(SEMINAR IN SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT)

This course focuses on the social development of developing countries. Students will have a chance to analyze the historical progress of post-war social development in some of the important developing societies. They will also be required to investigate and debate on the causes of the development/underdevelopment in these developing countries and their implications and limitations.

사회심리학연구 3 credit

(STUDIES IN SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGY)

The purpose of this course is to analyze human behaviors and their psychology as social entities through the lens of social psychology. The course will discuss the origins of social psychology and its development and will critically examine both psychological social psychology and sociological social psychology. Discussions will cover the major issues in contemporary society such as mass society, alienation, collective behaviors, social movements, fashion, and public ads.

사회통계학 3 credit

(ADVANCED SOCIAL STATISTICS)

This course deals with topics, such as descriptive statistics and inferential statistics as well as in terms of positivism which is one of the main stream of sociological methodology in the 21st century. In this context, cross tabulation analysis, t-test, correlation analysis, regression analysis, discriminant analysis, path analysis and logistic regression analysis will be discussed. The SPSS statistical package will be introduced for statistical analysis.

사회학이론세미나 3 credit

(SEMINAR IN SOCIOLOGICAL THEORY)

In this course, students study about sociological theory and examine the background of the emergence and historical development of various theoretical perspectives of contemporary sociology. The course will discuss the fundamental themes, theoretical structure, and logical dilemmas of those perspectives. In addition, the course introduces and reviews recently emerged orientations of the current sociological theory.

■ 전공

개별연구(1) 3 credit

(Independent Study Ⅰ)

개별연구(2) 3 credit

(Independent Study Ⅱ)

사회학과세미나 1 credit

(SPECIAL SEMINAR IN SOCIOLOGY)

This seminar examines the current social issues that are relevant to the sociological discourses. Students are encouraged to familiarize themselves with recent trends in sociological research and major theoretical perspectives in sociology.

■ 사회학전공(SOCIOLOGY MAJOR)

가상공간의사회학 3 credit

(SOCIOLOGY OF CYBERSPACE)

This course focuses on the advent of cyberspace which emerged as the result of the connection between computer and information-communication technology. The courses will review the socio-historical and technical background against which the on-line world has emerged. The course explores the restructuring of social relations, individuals' self-identity, and privacy issues, which are closely related with the emergence of cyberspace. Class discussions are a vital element to learning and as such, students will discuss the change of the nature of sociology which cyberspace can cause.

가족과사회구조 3 credit

(FAMILY AND SOCIAL STRUCTURE)

The course aims at imparting knowledge and ideals especially those pertaining to the positive attitudes towards the Korean family system. Discussions will cover different types of family structures, family consciousness, and family relations. The students will be able to discover the uniqueness of the Korean family system. Through their study and research, students can find various ways of strengthening families at risk.

노령화사회와노인문제 3 credit

(AGING SOCIETY AND THE ELDERLY ISSUES)

This seminar focuses on the elderly issues which have been among of the major issues facing the current Korean society. A variety of theoretical perspectives and methodological methods will be addressed to understand the elderly issues of aging society. Furthermore, causes and consequences of the rapid growth of the older people and policies related to the elderly will be discussed.

노사문제의사회학 3 credit

(SOCIOLOGY OF INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS)

This course will cover the analysis of industrial relations theoretically from the perspective of the power structure of the state-capital-labor triangle. Examination of the historical development of industrial relations in Korea since 1945 and discussions on the question, "What is the influence of the power relationship of state-capital-labor on industrial conflicts or industrial relations in Korean society?"

다문화사회연구 3 credit

(Studies in Multicultural Society)

A rising trend of globalization and trans-border human migration in recent years has made us enter into a new era of multicultural society. This course intends to provide students with a better understanding of some important issues that might be helpful for them in preparing for their future lives in this newly emerging multicultural community in Korea.

대중문화분석 3 credit

(ANALYSIS OF MASS CULTURE)

The course will focus on the Korean public culture in relation to mass media. By relating current trends, this course aims to provide students with a clear understanding of the effects of mass media and also how sociological theory can be found in daily life. Discussions on how Korean culture would be changed due to emerging new media will be pursued.

사회계층론연구 3 credit

(SOCIAL INEQUALITY AND STRATIFICATION)

This course intends to provide students with basic theoretical perspectives and methodological skills to analyze the phenomenon of structured social inequality in contemporary society. By actively participating in the presentations and discussions in the class, students will be able to acquire an in-depth academic experience with diverse aspects and implications of social stratification in our society.

인구학세미나 3 credit

(SEMINAR IN DEMOGRAPHY)

This seminar deals with population trends and causes and consequences of fertility, mortality, and migration. In this regard, demographical theories and methods will be discussed. Furthermore, some topics related to the applied demography, labor force transformation and marital trend will be introduced. Current issues and policies related to the population trends will also be discussed.

일탈행동의분석 3 credit

(ANALYSIS OF DEVIANT BEHAVIOR)

The main purpose of the course is to analyze deviant behaviors by applying three approaches; historical, scholastic, and analytical approaches. The course content will help students understand each theory’s background, perspectives, and characteristics through the analysis.

정치사회학연구 3 credit

(POLITICAL SOCIOLOGY)

The main purpose of this course is to analyze the political phenomena in the context of the entire social processes. In particular, the course intends to provide students with a chance to debate on how the state power is exercised in various social and cultural contexts and how it is intertwined with major socio-political forces basically through the arena of the market and civil society.

한국가족연구 3 credit

(KOREAN FAMILY)

The purpose of the course is to understand the characteristics of Korean family structures. Through the discussion of types of family, family consciousness, and family relations, the students will be able to identify the problems and changes in the Korean family system.

한국사회문제세미나 3 credit

(SEMINAR ON SOCIAL PROBLEMS OF KOREAN SOCIETY)

The course investigates the social problems Korean society encounters, specifically the problems derived from structure, disorganization, and deviance. The course examines the causes of the problems, analyzes the current trends, and suggests possible solutions.

한국사회사연구 3 credit

(KOREAN SOCIAL HISTORY)

The purpose of the course is to analyze the social system from a social structural perspective. The course provides the background of the social system: how it was formed, what are its significant features over the years, and how it has changed throughout the Korean history.

한국사회의보건과의료 3 credit

(PUBLIC HEALTH AND MEDICAL SERVICE OF KOREA)

This seminar deals with topics such as health, illness, medical services, and the relations between organizations related to health and illness. Theoretical perspectives and research methods will be addressed and discussed to understand issues in this area. Furthermore, issues and implications in health policies will be discussed.

한국의도시와농촌 3 credit

(RURAL AND URBAN SOCIETY IN KOREA)

The course examines Korean social structure by comparing rural and urban areas. The comparison includes the life of people who live in each area and their social relationships which are influenced by social structures, groups, organizations, institutions, and social changes.

한국의시민운동과NGO세미나 3 credit

(SEMINAR ON CIVIC MOVEMENT AND NGO IN KOREA)

This course focuses on civic movements as a new social movement and NGOs which play a leading role in organizing the civic movement. Students of this class study the socio-historical background against which the civic movement emerged. They will examine the ideological orientation, characteristics, organization, and limits of the civic movement in the Korean context.

현대사회의쟁점분석 Ⅰ 3 credit

(Contemporary Issues and Analysis Ⅰ)

The purpose of this course is to provide students with a chance to discuss and analyze current social issues with various sociological perspectives and theoretical tools. This course strongly recommends students actively participate in the presentation and discussion. The course of study can also be conducted in such forms as special lectures, colloquia, and open seminars.

현대사회의쟁점분석 Ⅱ 3 credit

(Contemporary Issues and Analysis Ⅱ)

The purpose of this course is to provide students with a chance to discuss and analyze current social issues with various sociological perspectives and theoretical tools. This course strongly recommends students actively participate in the presentation and discussion. The course of study can also be conducted in such forms as special lectures, colloquia, and open seminars.

현대한국의국가와계급 3 credit

(THE STATE AND SOCIAL CLASSES IN CONTEMPORARY KOREA)

The purpose of this course is to analyze and reappraise the political development processes of post-independence Korea from a sociological perspective. The course focuses on the process of class formations and in particular, the role of the state.

환경문제의사회학 3 credit

(SOCIOLOGY OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS)

This course investigates the environmental problems from a sociological perspective. Students will learn about the historical development, present situation, and social nature in relation to environmental problems. They will study sociological approaches to these problems and the sociological methods to research it. Discussions on sociological alternatives to solve the environmental problems.