Profile Thy Neighbor

You see a person dressed in old dirty clothes walking down the street. You make a snap decision about them. What are you doing? Profiling. You, along with most of society believe profiling is limited to law enforcement. Your response to this scenario may prove you wrong. Students who want to learn more about the nature and analysis of profiling should register for this course. We will explore some of the various ways society profiles its members based gender, race, religion, sexual orientation, socioeconomic status and DNA. The goal of this course is to assist students in recognizing and acknowledging profiling practices, the effects on a generation’s mindset, and addressing their role. There will be opportunities for real world experience through a visit to a crime lab, guest speakers, and class activities. Students who take this course will be in a position to make informed contributions to ongoing public dialogue about this important topic.