

Principles of Sociology:

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Introduction:

This course is a study of the major concepts used in the field of sociology. The nature of institutions will be examined both individually and in their dynamic interrelationship. Emphasis is placed on understanding the impact of society on our lives, and on increasing our effectiveness in controlling our destinies within it.

Conduct:

Some simple rules to live by (if you want a good grade):

1. Arrive on time and stay for the entire class.
2. No more than 2 absences (after that it affects your grade).
3. No late assignments (See policy below).
4. Be respectful of your classmates and the professor.
5. Use the writing center.
6. Participate in class.
7. Read and abide the college's academic honesty policy.
8. Do not wait until the last minute to read the assignments.
9. Study!
10. Ask for help!

Academic Dishonesty:

Any form of cheating, including plagiarism, will result in the immediate failure of the assignment and an official report to academic officials. Please see me if you are unsure what constitutes plagiarism.

Late Assignments:

The simple thing is to just get your work in on the day it is due. However, for those who are unable to do this read on...

Assignments are due by the end of class on the day they are assigned. Anyone wishing to hand in a late assignment must bring it to my office and place it in "The Box." These assignments will be returned at the convenience of the professor, and will be graded on a pass/fail basis (a "pass" in this case will be graded as a "D" even if it is "A" level work). No box assignments will be accepted after the last day of classes.

Make-up exams will only be given at the discretion of the professor.

Participant-Observation Exercise (10%)

Further details will be provided on a separate handout.

Social Norm Exercise (10%)

Further details will be provided on a separate handout.

Weekly Discussion Guides (20%)

Each week you will complete a discussion guide that reflects your understanding and response to the reading assignment. This will demonstrate your completion of the assignment and hopefully generate discussion in class.

Two Exams (60%):

You will be given a mid-semester and end-of-semester take home essay exam. The questions will be given to you in advance so that you can begin preparing your answers as the semester progresses. These questions will challenge you to think conceptually and to incorporate ideas generated in your readings and class discussions.

College Withdrawal Policy:

A student who finds it necessary to discontinue a course MUST complete a withdrawal form obtained from the Registrar's Office. Students may withdraw from class anytime during the first ten weeks of the semester without obtaining permission of the instructor. After that period, a student wishing to withdraw must obtain written authorization of the instructor to receive a "W" grade for the course. Students who fail to properly withdraw, and discontinue coming to class, will be assigned an "F" grade. Eligibility for refund of tuition is based upon date of withdrawal through the registrar's office. Verbal withdrawals will not be accepted.

Learning Disabilities:

If you have a disability that may require classroom or test-taking modifications, please see me as soon as possible.

Required Texts:

Sociology: Exploring the Architecture of Everyday Life

Sociology: Exploring the Architecture of Everyday Life (Readings)

Assignments:

<u>Week</u>	<u>Textbook</u>	<u>Readings</u>	<u>Other</u>
One (8/30)	1	pg 3-15	
Two (9/06)	2	pg 29-43	
Three (9/13)	3	Chapter 3	
Four (9/20)	4	Chapter 4	Social Norm
Five (9/27)	5	pg 101-127	
Six (10/04)	6	pg 140-149 165-178	

Seven (10/11)	7	pg 179-220	
Eight (10/18)	8	pg 221-235	
Nine (10/25)	9	pg 246-258	Mid-Term Exam
Ten (11/01)	10	pg 270-278 291-301	
Eleven (11/08)	11	Chapter 11	
Twelve (11/15)	12	pg 328-342 358-367	
Thirteen (11/29)	13	pg 380-406	Part-Obs
Fourteen (11/29)	14	pg 407-423	
Fifteen (12/06)		Conclusions	Final Exam

Final Exam Week- December 11-15