

Sociology Course Syllabus

Course Description

Sociology is the study of human behavior in group situations. Its' focus is on the dynamics of group behavior and on the interactions of individuals in groups. This course covers basic sociological theory and analytical tools and shows their relationship to other behavioral science disciplines, such as anthropology and psychology.

The class will examine the effect of social structure, practices, and institutions upon the individual in everyday life. Topics will include, but are not limited to culture, socialization, and society.

Textbook: Sociology and You: Shepard and Greene, Glencoe, 2008

Required Daily Materials:

1. Textbook (unless otherwise instructed)
2. Binder with dividers/folder
3. Loose leaf notebook paper
4. Blue or black pen and/or pencil

Policies:

Graded assignments include but are not limited to:

1. Tests
Tests are always announced in advance. Tests cover all material accumulated while studying the unit. The Unit/Chapter Packets should serve as review material for the test.
2. Homework
Homework will be assigned on most nights. All homework assignments contribute to the objectives of the chapter or unit.
3. In-class assignments/Quizzes
Much of what you will learn in sociology will be in class activity based assignments, please come to class ready to learn with a positive attitude.
4. Participation
In order to understand the material you must be prepared to participate everyday. Participation is taken into account in figuring each student's quarter grade. Not bringing your textbook or other classroom materials will count against participation, as will negative comments and disrespectful behavior.

Absent Work

Every student is required to turn in all homework, projects, and other assignments due that day at the beginning of the class period. If you are absent it is your responsibility to make up the homework, notes, in-class assignments, readings, etc...that you have missed. Please do not hesitate to ask questions regarding content that you do not understand or need clarification in the directions of an assignment.

Sociology Course Outline

Chapter 1 An Invitation to Sociology

Chapter 2 Sociological Research Methods

Chapter 3 Culture

Chapter 4 Socialization

Chapter 5 Social Structure and Society

Chapter 7 Deviance and Social Control

Chapter 8 Social Stratification

Chapter 9 Gender