

Wayne State University

Course ID Soc_2000-903 Section Number 21760
Sociology 2000: Understanding Human Society /Introduction to Sociology
Winter 2014

Meeting Days: Wednesdays
Meeting Place: 0404 OAK
Meeting Time: 1:55 p.m. to 4:40 p.m.

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Required Text

Sociology –A Down To Earth Approach, 11th Edition by James M. Henslin

Course Description

This introduction to Sociology course is designed to provide students with the basics and scope of sociology as a social science discipline.

Our Goal

To understand the Sociological Perspective, and explore how it can be applied broadly in (a) Social Groups and Control (b) Social Inequality (c) Social Institutions and Social Change.

Course requirements and Assignments. (TENTATIVE)

1. Four exams consisting of 25 multiple choice questions. Each exam will be equally weighted with a maximum of 50 points ($4 \times 50 = 200$ points). Exams will cover reading material regardless of whether they are covered in class.
2. You must purchase the TEXT and read the assigned chapters in preparation for class.
3. Attendance: Class attendance is mandatory. Student must sign in on each class day for 5 points with a maximum of 75 points. Only verified absences will be accepted.
4. Make – up exams are not allowed, except by agreement with instructor prior to exams.

Course Policies

Policy on Late Assignments: Assignments are due on their due date. Late assignments will not be accepted, unless you have a legitimate excuse. Such as a medical reason or if there is death in your family (NOTE REQUIRED). Also, you must talk to me prior to the assignment due date, not after.

Students Responsibilities:

- The completion of all assigned readings before coming to class.
- Class discussion of assigned chapter readings.
- Contacting the instructor in the event of a missed exam. This can be done by way of telephone (734) 904-4688 or by e-mail on or before the exam.
- To be courteous and to respect the opinions of others (despite disagreement) with the topic under discussion. Failure to adhere to this policy can result in your being asked to leave the class for the day.
- Turn pagers & cell phones OFF.
- Please do not talk during lectures or presentations
- Plagiarism/dishonesty will result in loss grade points

"If you have a documented disability that requires accommodations, you will need to register with Student Disability Services for coordination of your academic accommodations. The Student Disability Services (SDS) office is located at 1600 David Adamany Undergraduate Library in the Student Academic Success Services department. SDS telephone number is [313-577-1851](tel:313-577-1851) or [313-577-3365](tel:313-577-3365) (TDD only).

Once you have your accommodations in place, I will be glad to meet with you privately during my office hours to discuss your special needs. Student Disability Services' mission is to assist the university in creating an accessible community where students with disabilities have an equal opportunity to fully participate in their educational experience at Wayne State University."

Grading Scale

A	275 - 266
A-	265 - 256
B+	255 - 246
B	245 - 236
B-	235 - 226
C+	225 - 216
C	215 - 206
C-	205 - 196
D+	195 - 186
D	185 - 176
D-	175 - 166
F	165 - 000

Note: This grading is not on a percentage, but on a raw score.

Course Schedule

This is a tentative schedule and may be altered or adjusted during the semester

Week 1 1/8	Sociological Perspective, Culture	Chap1, 2
Week 2 1/15	Socialization, Social Structure and Social Int	Chap3, 4
Week 3 1/22	How sociologists do research	Chap5
Week 4 Exam 1	1/29 Societies to Social Networks	Chap6
Week 5 2/05	Bureaucracy and Deviance	Chap7, 8
Week 6 2/12	Global Stratification Social Class in US	Chap9, 10
Week 7 2/19	Sex and Gender, Race and Ethnicity	Chap11, 12
Week 8 Exam 2	2/26The Elderly	Chap13
Week 9 3/05	The Economy, Politics	Chap14, 15
Week 10 3/12	SPRING BREAK	
Week 11 3/19	Marriage and family, Education	Chap16, 17
Week 12 Exam3	3/26 Religion	Chap18
Week 13 4/02	Medicine and Health	Chap19
Week 14 4/09	Population and Urbanization, Social Movements	Chap20, 21
Week 15 4/16	Social Change and the Environment	Chap22
	Exam 4	