

SOCIOLOGY 1A
Introduction to Sociology
Fall 1995

INSTRUCTOR: Rose Krebill-Prather (phone: 638-2055)

CLASS SCHEDULE: Thursday evenings, 6:00-8:50 p.m.

TEXT: Society: The Basics, Second Edition, John J. Macionis

COURSE OBJECTIVES: The objectives of this course are to introduce you to the sociological perspective and to give you an overview of the major themes and issues in the discipline. The course includes a survey of the basic methods and concepts used by sociologists in their study of human society.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS:

Grade Components:

1. Weekly quizzes (10-12 points each)	120 pts
2. Three one hour examinations (100 points each)	300 pts
3. Sociological Inquiry Assignments (40 points each)	80 pts
TOTAL	500 POINTS

Lecture and Text Materials: Both lecture and the textbook will be the primary sources of information for the course. Some material will be introduced in lectures that is not emphasized or presented in the text. Likewise, some material covered in the text will not be presented in lectures. You will be held responsible for all materials, both lecture and text.

Weekly Quizzes: Quizzes will be given at the beginning of class each week except on the nights when exams are scheduled and the week following the exams. The quizzes will consist of objective questions (multiple choice and true/false). Each quiz will cover the material in the previous week's lecture and corresponding reading assignment. You will be able to drop your two lowest quiz grades when your overall course grade is computed.

Examinations: Exams will be written, essay questions. Exams are designed to help you learn how to apply what you have learned to the real world. Therefore, it is important that you understand the material rather than simply memorize it. Exams will be cumulative only to the extent that some material learned at an earlier point in the course will be applied throughout the course.

Sociological Inquiry Assignments (SI): These assignments are designed to help you apply the material presented in the lectures and text to your own experiences and observations of the real world. Further information about the SI assignments will be given during the third week of class.

Extra Credit or Additional Assignments: Extra credit and other assignments *may be given* throughout the course.

COURSE POLICIES

Missed Examinations without a legitimate excuse (medical reasons, death in the family) are unacceptable. Examinations are scheduled well in advance so discretionary activities do not qualify as legitimate reasons to miss an exam. It will be your responsibility to contact me if you are unable to take the exam. Makeup exams need to be made up within two weeks of the original exam date unless you make other arrangements with me.

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Late Sociological Inquiry Assignments will be docked 5 points for each week they are late. Please inform me if you cannot turn an assignment in on the posted due date.

Class Participation is encouraged and expected! The assigned readings should be completed before class meetings in order to get the most from lectures and class discussion.

Cheating on quizzes and exams and copying another person's assignment will not be tolerated and anyone violating this policy will receive an "F" for the course and his or her name will be reported to the Dean.

Attendance will be taken twice weekly. If you need to miss class, please inform me beforehand concerning your need to be absent.

A Final Note: You are encouraged to see me (or call me) if you have any questions or concerns about the course materials or policies.

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WEEK	DATE	TOPIC	READING
1	Aug 17	Sociology as a Perspective	Chap 1
2	Aug 24	Methods of Research and Theoretical Orientations	Chap 2
3	Aug 31	Culture	Chap 3
4	Sept 7	Socialization	Chap 4
5	Sept 14	Social Interaction and Social Structure	Chap 5
6	Sept 21	FIRST EXAM – 6:00 PM	
7	Sept 28	Deviance	Chap 6
8	Oct 5	Social Stratification	Chap 7
		First SI Assignment Due – 6:00pm	
9	Oct 12	Global Inequality	Chap 8
		October 13, 1995: Drop Deadline	
10	Oct 19	Race and Ethnic Inequality	Chap 9
11	Oct 26	Gender and Age Inequality	Chap 10
12	Nov 2	SECOND EXAM – 6:00 PM	
13	Nov 9	Family	Chap 12
14	Nov 16	Religion and Medicine	Chap 13
		Second SI Assignment Due – 6:00pm	
15	Nov 23	<i>THANKSGIVING BREAK</i>	
16	Nov 30	Education	Chap 14
17	Dec 7	Population, Environment and Social Change	Chap 15
18	Dec 14	FINAL EXAM – 6:00 PM	