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Course Description/Objectives:
We will undertake a systematic look at sociology as a distinctive discipline, with a focus on such areas of social life as culture, socialization, social stratification, gender, race and ethnicity, family, religion, population, and education. Students will acquire a basic understanding of society and social life and learn to appreciate the sociological perspective.

Required Text:

Course Requirements:
4 Tests in total. For dates and values of these tests, see the Course Schedule. All tests will be some combination of multiple choice and true/false questions.
** Please note that all tests are non-cumulative.

Written Assignment - details to follow. Value: 20%

Letter Grade Assignments

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Course Policies

1. **The penalty for late assignments is 10% for every 15 minutes or portion thereof.** A valid medical certificate is needed if the deadline for the assignment cannot be met. If weather is the issue for missing the assignment deadline, I expect the completed assignment to be emailed to me before the deadline and a hard copy of same to be provided at the first available opportunity.

2. The best way to reach me outside of class is to email me. BUT, when you email me, your email must use proper English – not the shorthand that is commonplace in chat rooms and text messaging - and you must identify in which class you are registered in the subject line. Further, do not assume I have received or read your email until I respond to it.

3. Missed tests cannot be taken at a later date, unless a valid medical certificate is provided within one week of the scheduled test. Any approved make-up test will be written on a date and time and in a location chosen by the instructor. The date/time of the make-up test is not negotiable. Only those students with valid medical notes or other appropriate documentation will be allowed to write the make-up test.

4. Students are responsible for all material presented in class and in the text.

5. Students cheating on a test will receive a “0” for the test and the appropriate officials will be notified to determine if further action is warranted.

6. If a student wishes to withdraw from the course, it is their responsibility to do so. The deadline for Voluntary Withdrawal is Wednesday, March 19th, 2014.

7. Don’t ask! There is no provision in this course for extra credit assignments or rewriting a test to improve your grade.

8. Although the chapters on the Course Schedule will be covered in the order that they appear, I may exceed, restrict, or omit individual sections to facilitate smoother course delivery.

9. Students with special needs (e.g., learning, hearing, sight, or physical) should discuss with me how I might make the learning environment more comfortable.

10. The university and I recognize and respect the right of all students to observe holidays of their faith, which fall within the academic year. Please notify me in advance of any such intended absence.

11. In accordance with University and Faculty of Arts policies and the *University of Manitoba Senate Policy #1307*, department and programs are required to utilize a final grades review and approval process of multi-sectioned undergraduate courses *before* course grades are rolled into Aurora student. Accordingly, the final grade distribution in this course may be raised or lowered to achieve this equity and, therefore, your final grade may be changed. At the discretion of a Department’s Council, the Faculty of Arts policy states there may also be a review and approval of proposed final grades of other undergraduate courses.

12. Students should acquaint themselves with the University's policy on plagiarism, cheating, exam personation, (“**Personation at Examinations**” (Section 5.2.9) and “**Plagiarism and cheating**” (Section 8.1)) and duplicate submission by reading documentation provided at the Arts Student Resources web site at [http://www.umanitoba.ca/faculties/arts/student/index.html](http://www.umanitoba.ca/faculties/arts/student/index.html). Ignorance of the regulations and policies regarding academic integrity is not a
valid excuse for violating them. The Faculty of Arts reserves the right to submit student work that is suspected of being plagiarized to Internet sites designed to detect plagiarism.

13. Students who disrupt the class, in any way, will be asked to leave. Please, no cell phones ringing, texting, game playing, whispering to one another, etc. Such things are especially distracting in large classes. Respect the needs and rights of other students to learn.

14. Any term work that has not been claimed by students will be held for four (4) months from the end of the final examination period for the term in which the work was assigned. At the conclusion of this time, all unclaimed term work will become property of the Faculty of Arts and be destroyed according to FIPPA guidelines and using confidential measures for disposal.
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**October 14 - NO CLASSES - Thanksgiving**

- Oct. 7, 15: Socialization, Social Interaction
  - Chapter 3
  - Chapter 4
- Oct. 21: **TEST #1 (25%)**
- Oct. 22: Groups and Organizations
  - Chapter 5
- Oct. 28: Sexuality and Society
  - Chapter 6

**November 11 - NO CLASSES - Remembrance Day**

- Nov. 4, 12, 18: Deviance
  - Chapter 7
- **Dec. 4th**: **Term Assignment Due (20%)**
- Nov. 25, Jan. 6: Social Stratification, Global Stratification
  - Chapter 8
  - Chapter 9
- **Jan. 13**: **TEST #2 (20%)**
- Jan. 20, 27: Gender Stratification
  - Chapter 10
- Feb. 3, 10: Race and Ethnicity, Economics and Politics
  - Chapter 11
  - Chapter 12

**February 17 to 21 MID TERM BREAK**

- Feb. 24, Mar. 3: Family and Religion
  - Chapter 13
- Mar. 10, 17: Education, Health and Medicine
  - Chapter 14
- **March 24**: **TEST #3 (20%)**
- Mar. 25, 31: Population, Urbanization, and Environment Social Change
  - Chapter 15
  - Chapter 16
- **April 9**: **TEST #4 (15%)**