SOC 1200 Introduction to Sociology A02 (6 credit hours) CRN: 20720
Monday - Friday 9:30-10:20 a.m. in Room 306 Tier

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PLEASE READ THE COURSE OUTLINE CAREFULLY

CONTENT AND PURPOSES:

This course provides an introduction to the study of society and to the discipline of Sociology. It is designed as a survey of the field and will examine the theoretical perspectives that inform sociological inquiry, research methods as well as the social institutions, relations and practices that make social life possible and intelligible.

REQUIRED TEXTS:


COURSE REQUIREMENTS:

The final grade for the course will be based on the following requirements:

1) Term test 1 (20%): October 18, 2013.
2) Term test 2 (20%): December 4, 2013.
3) Term test 3 (20%): February 14, 2014.
4) Term test 4 (20%): April 9, 2014.
5) Take home assignment (20%): due in-class January 24, 2014.

The in-class term tests will be based on readings and lectures and will involve multiple choice and true/false items. The take home assignment will be detailed in a separate handout. There are four (4) term tests and no final examination in this course.

Please note that the above schedule will be strictly adhered to and no provisions have been made for make-up tests or time extensions. Requests for special consideration must be made well in advance and/or supported by appropriate documentation. If a make-up test is approved, students must attend at the time scheduled by the instructor. It is the student’s responsibility to contact the Instructor to report a missed test within two days or a grade of zero will be assigned. Late papers will be penalized five (5) points per day, including weekends.
Students should acquaint themselves with the University's policy on plagiarism, cheating and 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

As indicated in the University calendar, Students are expected to attend class and are strongly encouraged to complete the readings in advance of the lectures so that any problems, concerns or points of interest can be raised for discussion in class. Participation in class discussions is welcomed and encouraged.

**FINAL DATE FOR VOLUNTARY WITHDRAWAL:** March 19, 2014.

**GRADE DISTRIBUTION:**

- A+ 90 - 100
- B+ 76 - 79
- C+ 66 - 69
- D 50 - 59
- A 80 - 89
- B 70 - 75
- C 60 - 65
- F < 50

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** In accordance with University and Faculty of Arts policies and the University of Manitoba Senate policy #1307, departments and programs are required to utilize a final grades review and approval process of multi-sectioned courses before 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.

**DISRUPTIONS:** On the issue of politeness, please note that disturbances due to talking or early departures from the classroom are disruptive. Please be considerate and respectful of the needs and rights of others in the class. Students should be aware that persistent disruption may result in disbarment from the course. Any student who has a legitimate reason for leaving the class early should inform the instructor at the beginning of class.

It should also be noted that lap top computers may only be used for the purpose of taking notes; any other uses will result in this privilege being withdrawn. Cell phones are to be turned off during class, and text messaging is strictly prohibited. You will be excused from the class if you refuse to comply with this restriction on texting.

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 the property of the Faculty of Arts and be destroyed according to FIPPA guidelines and using confidential measures for disposal.
CLASS SCHEDULE:
**Please note that this is a tentative schedule providing a guide to the topics and approximate timelines. Accordingly, the schedule may be modified as we proceed. Any changes will be discussed in class in order to ensure that the reading requirements for term tests are clearly specified in advance. As noted above, attendance is expected of all students.**

**Week of:**
Sept 6: Introduction and overview of the course

Sept 9--27: Sociological Basics
**Readings:** Anderson, chapters 1 – 4
Henslin et. al chapters 1 and 2

Sept 30-Oct 16: Sociological Theory
**Readings:** Anderson, chapters 5 – 7

Monday, October 14: no classes on Thanksgiving Day

October 18: Term test 1 in-class (20%)

Oct 21- Dec 2: Core Concepts/Critical Issues
**Readings:** Anderson, chapters 8 – 11. Henslin, et. al, chapters 3 – 5

Monday, November 11: no classes on Remembrance Day

December 4: Term test 2 in-class (20%)

Jan: 6- Feb 12: Social Inequality
**Readings:** Anderson, chapters 12 - 17
Henslin, et. al, chapters 6 – 9

January 24: Take home assignment due in-class

February 14: Term test 3 in-class (20%)

February 17- 21: no classes Reading Week

Feb 24 – Mar 14: Social Institutions
**Readings:** Henslin, et al., chapters 10-15

Mar 17-Apr 4: Mass Media, Social Media and Activism/Social Change
**Readings:** Anderson, chapters 18 - 20
Henslin, et. al., chapter 16-18

April 9: Term test 4 in-class (20%)