

University of Manitoba

Department of Sociology

Introduction to Sociology: 77.120

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TextBook

Macionis, J. J., & Gerber, L. M. (2002). *Sociology*. Fourth Canadian Edition. Pearson

Education Canada Inc., Toronto, Ontario

Study Guide for Sociology (2002) Comes in a package with above book..

Course Objectives

The goal of this course is to introduce students to the concept of the "sociological imagination" and to show how the sociological imagination helps students to understand recurring features of social organization and social relations. This objective will be accomplished through introducing students to some of the major theoretical perspectives, concepts and methods of the discipline of sociology, and demonstrating how they illuminate central aspects of society.

The focus of this course is Canadian. The material we cover will range from the family and socialization

practices to the economy and the labor market covering what sociologists term the "social construction of reality".

Grading Scheme

Five tests will be given throughout the course. They will be composed of multiple choice and true/false questions. Tests will cover lecture material and assigned readings. Each test is worth 20% of the final grade.

Policy On Grades And Tests

The following percentage/letter/GPA/descriptive scale will be used:

90 – 100 A+ (4.5) Exceptional

80 – 89 A (4.0) Excellent

76 – 79 B+ (3.5) Very Good

70 – 75 B (3.0) Good

66 – 69 C+ (2.5) Satisfactory

60 – 65 C (2.0) Adequate

50 – 59 D (1.0) Marginal

0 – 49 F (0) Failure

If a test is missed for a health- related reason, the student must get in touch with the professor as soon as possible to present his/her signed medical certificate in order to arrange a make-up test. Ordinarily, tests must be made-up within one week. Failure to request a make-up test within the expected time frame may result in ineligibility for a make-up test and a mark of zero for the missed test.

The university recognizes the right of all students to observe recognized holidays of their faith which fall within the academic year. With instructor discretion, necessary arrangements can be made to ensure studies are not jeopardized. The instructor should be notified of a student's intended absence in advance

and at least three weeks notice of absence should normally be given where special arrangements are sought.

Students with special learning needs (who for legitimate reasons require extra time to write a test, or who require aids or other supports) should identify themselves to the instructor at the beginning of the term in order to arrange suitable accommodation.

Note: Make-up tests may be short answer and long answer format.

Senate Policy #1307 requires a "post-examination of final grades in multi-sectioned courses that will ensure an equitable correspondence between grades and level of performance in all sections". Accordingly, the final grade distribution in this course may be raised or lowered to achieve such equity and, therefore, your final grade may change.

Student Responsibility And Academic Dishonesty

Academic dishonesty is a serious offence, with grave consequences. Students should acquaint themselves with the University of Manitoba's academic regulations and policies especially its policy on plagiarism, cheating and exam impersonation found in the General Calendar.

Last day for voluntary withdrawal without academic penalty is March 6/2002.

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Assigned Readings and Requirement Due Dates

Sept 6-19 Chapter 1 & 4 What is Sociology? pp.2-25,86-109

Sept 21-Oct 5 Chapter 2 Research Methods, pp. 26-53

Oct 8-22 Chapter 3 Culture, pp. 58-85

Oct 24 **TEST #1**

Oct 26- Nov 2 Chapter 5 & 6 Socialization, pp. 110-135, 136-159

Nov 5-19 Chapter 9 Deviance, pp. 214-241

Nov 21-Dec 3 Chapter 10& 11 Stratification, pp.244-267, 268-291

Dec 5 **TEST #2**

Jan 4- 16 Chapter 14 Race and Ethnicity, pp. 344-369

Jan 18- 28 Chapter 18 Families, pp. 452-477

Jan 30- Feb 6 Chapter 19 Religion, pp. 478-501

Feb 8 **TEST #3**

Feb 11-15 **MID-TERM BREAK**

Feb 18- Feb 25 Chapter 20 Education, pp. 502-525

Feb 27-Mar 8 Chapter 7 Groups and Organizations, pp.160-189

Mar 11- 20 Chapter 23 Social Movements, pp. 584-605

Mar 22 **TEST #4**

Mar 25- Apr 3 Chapter 17 Politics and Government, pp. 422-451

Apr 5- 8 Chapter 22 Population, pp. 552-562

Apr 5-8 Chapter 24 Social Change, pp. 606-627

Apr 10 **TEST #5**

