

UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA  
Department of Sociology  
Fall/Winter 2005-06

**077:120 Introduction to Sociology** (6 credit hours)  
Section L13, Tuesday/Thursday, Slot 9: 11:30 – 12:45, Room 206 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:**

Henslin, J.M., D. Glenday, A. Duffy, and N. Pupo. *Sociology: A Down-to-Earth Approach* (3rd Canadian edition). Pearson, Toronto: 2004.

**COURSE REQUIREMENTS:**

The final grade for the course will be based on FIVE (5) equally weighted in-class term tests which have been scheduled as follows:

- 1) Term test 1 (20%): October 13, 2005
- 2) Term test 2 (20%): November 24, 2005
- 3) Term test 3 (20%): January 26, 2006
- 4) Term test 4 (20%): March 9, 2006
- 5) Term test 5 (20%): April 6, 2006

The in-class term tests will be based on readings and lectures and will involve multiple choice, true/false and/or short answer questions.

Please note that the above schedule will be strictly adhered to and no provisions have been made for make-up tests. Requests for special consideration must be made well in advance and/or supported by appropriate documentation.

Students should acquaint themselves with the University's policy on "Examinations: Personations" (p.26) and "Plagiarism and Cheating" (p.27) found in the Undergraduate 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 16, 2006.**

**GRADE DISTRIBUTION:**

A+ 95 - 100   B+ 80 - 85   C+ 65 - 71   D 50 - 59  
A 86 - 94   B 72 - 79   C 60 - 64   F < 50

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** The *University of Manitoba Senate policy #1307* requires "a post-examination review 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 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 disrupting. 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.

**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.

**Week of:**

September 8:            Introduction and overview of the course

September 13:        Sociological Basics  
                              Readings: Henslin, chapters 1 and 2

September 27:        Understanding Social Life  
                              Readings: Henslin, chapters 3 – 5

**October 13: Term test 1 in-class (20%)**

October 20: Social Inequality  
Readings: Henslin, chapters 6 –9.

**November 24: Term test 2 in-class (20%)**

November 30: Social Institutions I  
Readings: Henslin, chapters 10 - 12

***First term ends December 7, 2005***

January 6: Social Institutions I continued from first term  
Readings: Henslin, chapters 10 – 12

**January 26: Term test 3 in-class (20%)**

January 31: Social Institution II  
Readings: Henslin, chapters 13 - 15

***February 13 – 17, 2006: Mid-term break***

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

March 14: Social Change  
Readings: Henslin, chapters 16 - 18

**April 6: Term test 5 in-class (20%)**