

University of Manitoba
Department of Sociology
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Introductory Sociology – SOC 1200 – A03
6 credit hours

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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:

Macionis, John J., S. Mikael Jansson, and Cecilia M Benoit. (2013).
Society: The Basics, Fifth Canadian Edition. Toronto: Pearson
Canada.

Course Requirements:

4 Tests in total. For dates and values of these tests, see the Course Schedule.

Each of the first three tests will be both short answer and multiple choice questions, such that at least 20% of your final grade will be based on your written answers to the short answer questions. The final test will be multiple choice questions only.

**** Please note that all tests are non-cumulative.****

Letter Grade Assignments

A+	90 and up	B	70 – 75	D	50 – 59
A	80 – 89	C+	66 – 69	F	0 – 49
B+	76 – 79	C	60 – 65		

Course Policies

1. **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.**
2. **Don't ask! There is no provision in this course for extra credit assignments, rewriting a test, or any other such creative idea you might have to improve your grade.**
3. Missed tests cannot be taken at a later date, unless a valid medical certificate is provided within 3 days 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 Monday August 10th, 2015.
7. 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.
8. Students with special needs (e.g., learning, hearing, sight, or physical) should discuss with me how I might make the learning environment more comfortable.
9. 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.
10. 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.
11. 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>. Ignorance of the regulations and policies regarding academic integrity is not a valid excuse for violating them.

12. 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. Respect the needs and rights of other students to learn.
13. 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.

Course Schedule

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Readings</u>
July 2	Introduction to Course	
July 3-8	Sociology: Perspective & Theory Research Methods July 3 <i>MICKEY MOUSE MONOPOLY</i>	Chapter 1
July 9-10 July 13-16	Culture Socialization Social Interaction July 13 <i>SECRET OF THE WILD CHILD</i>	Chapter 2 Chapter 3 Chapter 4
July 17	TEST #1 (30%)	
July 20-21 July 22-24	Sexuality and Society Deviance	Chapter 6 Chapter 7
July 27	NO CLASS	
July 28-31	Social Stratification Global Stratification July 29 <i>IN THE GUTTER</i>	Chapter 8 Chapter 9
Aug. 3rd	Civic Holiday – NO CLASS	
Aug. 4	TEST #2 (25%)	
Aug. 5-6	Gender Stratification August 5 <i>KILLING US SOFTLY 4</i>	Chapter 10
Aug. 7&10	Race and Ethnicity August 7th <i>UNDERSTANDING RACE</i>	Chapter 11
Aug. 11-13	Family Religion Aug. 14 <i>CRIMES OF HONOUR</i>	Chapter 13
	Education, Health and Medicine	Chapter 14
Aug. 14th	TEST #3 (25%)	
Aug. 17-19	Population, Urbanization, and Environment Social Change August 18 <i>STATE OF THE PLANET</i>	Chapter 15 Chapter 16
Aug. 20	TEST #4 (20%)	