

**University of Manitoba
Department of Sociology
Fall/Winter 2011-12
Introductory Sociology 1200-A11 (6 cr hrs)**

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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. (2012).
Society: The Basics, Updated Fourth Canadian Edition. Toronto: Pearson
Canada.

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

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 penalty for late papers is 10% for every 15 minutes or portion thereof.**
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 Friday, March 16th, 2012.
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. 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.
12. Students should acquaint themselves with the University's policy on "Personation at Examinations" (Section 5.2.9) and "Plagiarism and Cheating" (Section 8.1) found online under UManitoba Catalog 2011-2012>General Academic Regulation>Section 8. Academic Integrity. 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.

Course Schedule

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Readings</u>
Sept. 8	Introduction to Course	
Sept. 13 to 29	Sociology: Perspective & Theory Research Methods	Chapter 1 Chapter 1
Oct. 4 & 6	Culture	Chapter 2
Oct. 11 to 27	Socialization Social Interaction	Chapter 3 Chapter 4
Nov. 1	TEST #1 (25%)	
Nov. 3 & 8	Groups and Organizations	Chapter 5
Nov. 10 to 17	Sexuality and Society	Chapter 6
Nov. 22 to Dec. 1	Deviance	Chapter 7
Dec. 6, Jan. 5 & 10	Social Stratification Global Stratification	Chapter 8 Chapter 9
Jan. 12	TEST #2 (20%)	
Jan. 17 to 26	Gender Stratification	Chapter 10
Jan. 31 to Feb. 14	Race and Ethnicity	Chapter 11
Feb. 16	Economics and Politics	Chapter 12
February 20 to 24		MID TERM BREAK
Feb. 28 to Mar. 6	Family Religion	Chapter 13 Chapter 13
Mar. 8 to 15	Education, Health and Medicine	Chapter 14
March 20	TEST #3 (20%)	
Mar. 22 to 27	Population, Urbanization, and Environment	Chapter 15
Mar. 29 to Apr. 3	Social Change	Chapter 16
April 5	TEST #4 (20%)	