

INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY

Spring, 2009

Course Number: 2710G – 004

Time/Location TR 9:30 – 10:45 Blair Hall 1103

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Required Textbook: *Sociology*, 11th edition; John C. Macionis

Required Assignments:

Week 1, 2 Defining Sociology – Chapter 1

Week 3 Doing Sociology – Chapter 2

Week 4 Culture – Chapter 3

Exam 1 – February 7

NO CLASS – February 12

Week 6 Social Structure, Groups and Social Interaction – Chapter 6

Week 7 Deviance – Chapter 9
NO CLASS – February 26 (AGHE Conference)

Week 8/9 Social Differences and Social Inequality – Chapter 11
Race – Chapter 14

Exam 2 – March 12

HAVE A GREAT SPRING BREAK!!!

Week 10 Gender – Chapter 13

Week 11 Family – Chapter 18

Week 12 Education – Chapter 20

Exam 3 – April 9

Week 13	The Economy – Chapter 18
Week 14	Aging and Health Care – Chapters 15 & 21
Week 15	Collective Behavior and Social Movements – Chapter 23

Final Exam – Monday, May 4, 8-10 am

Course Objectives: To gain a basic understanding of the ideas, concepts and approaches in the field of sociology that will enable us to analyze everyday events through the sociological perspective. This means that we will critically examine how our society and its outside pressures (environmental, social and physical) impact on our lives.

Course Requirements:

Reading Assignments. All readings in each section are to be completed prior to the first class in which they are covered. An overview of the readings will help you better understand the material presented in class.

Class Participation. Although this class is a lecture format, there are many activities designed which incorporate group work, discussions and short written papers. Assignments will be made periodically throughout the semester to supplement the work we do in class.

Exams. Four exams are given that cover readings and material discussed in class. These exams consist primarily of objective questions and short answer essay questions.

Grading: Your grade will be based on the following areas as defined above:

Grading Scale:

A	90 - 100%	(450-500 points)
B	80 - 89%	(400-449 points)
C	70 - 79%	(350 -399 points)
D	60 - 69%	(300-349 points)
F	0 - 59%	

Exam 1	100 points
Exam 2	100 points
Exam 3	100 points
Exam 4	100 points
Participation/Assignments	100 points

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