

Master Syllabus

SOC 1101 - Introduction to Sociology

Division: Liberal Arts, Communication and Social Sciences

Department: Sociology

Credit Hour Total: 3.0

Lecture Hrs: 3.0

Prerequisite(s): DEV 0015

Date Revised: April 2015

Course Description:

A critical analysis of contemporary American society with review of major sociological theories, research methods, culture, socialization, groups, social structure, social institutions, deviance, social inequalities, social processes and social change.

General Education Outcomes:

- Oral Communication Competency
- Written Communication Competency
- Critical Thinking/Problem Solving Competency
- Values/Citizenship/Community Competency
- Information Literacy Competency

Course Outcomes:

Sociological Perspective

Apply the sociological perspective and differentiate among the major social theories (functionalist, conflict, symbolic interactionist).

Assessment Method: Locally developed exams

Performance Criteria:

Students are given multiple choice and/or essay exams. Students must score 70% or higher to be successful.

Assessment Method: Oral examination

Performance Criteria:

Students must give oral presentations. Students must score 70% or higher to be successful

Assessment Method: Written surveys and/or questionnaires

Performance Criteria:

Students are required to do a pre and post written assignment, Additional written assignments may also be required. Students are expected to score 70% or higher to be successful.

Scientific Method

Evaluate the ways in which sociologists gather, interpret, and evaluate data, including both quantitative and qualitative methodologies.

Assessment Method: Locally developed exams

Performance Criteria:

Students are given multiple choice and/or essay exams. Students must score 70% or greater to be successful.

Assessment Method: Oral examination

Performance Criteria:

Students must give oral presentations and score 70% or greater to be successful.

Assessment Method: Written surveys and/or questionnaires

Performance Criteria:

Students are required to do a pre and post written assignment, Additional written assignments may also be required. Students are expected to score 70% or greater to be successful.

Data Analysis

Interpret statistical tables, graphs, and charts as they apply to an analysis of social data. Calculate and interpret the measures of central tendency as a means of processing data sets.

Assessment Method: Locally developed exams

Performance Criteria:

Students are given multiple choice and/or essay exams. Students are expected to score 70% or higher to be successful.

Assessment Method: Oral examination

Performance Criteria:

Students are expected to give an oral presentation. Students must score 70% or higher to be successful.

Assessment Method: Written surveys and/or questionnaires

Performance Criteria:

Students are required to do a pre and post written assignment, Additional written assignments may also be required. Students must score 70% or higher to be successful.

Culture & Socialization

Evaluate the impact of the elements of culture and socialization on shaping human behavior and world view.

Assessment Method: Locally developed exams

Performance Criteria:

Students are given multiple choice and/or essay exams. Students must score 70% or higher to be successful.

Social Structure

Analyze the elements of social structure and the organization of society.

Assessment Method: Locally developed exams

Performance Criteria:

Students are given multiple choice and/or essay exams. Students must score 70% or higher to be successful.

Crime and Deviance

Analyze the major theories of crime, deviance, and systems of social control.

Assessment Method: Locally developed exams

Performance Criteria:

Students are given multiple choice and/or essay exams. Students must score 70% or higher.

Systems of Stratification

Compare and contrast global systems of stratification by class, race, ethnicity, gender and age.

Assessment Method: Locally developed exams

Performance Criteria:

Students are given multiple choice and/or essay exams. Students must score 70% or higher to be successful.

Social Institutions

Analysis of the major social institutions, such as marriage, family, religion, politics, economics, education and health care.

Assessment Method: Locally developed exams

Performance Criteria:

Students are given multiple choice and/or essay exams. Students must score 70% or higher to be successful.

Social Change

Analyze and interpret the universal elements of social change including urbanization, collective behavior, social movements, population, technology and the environment.

Assessment Method: Locally developed exams

Performance Criteria:

Students are given multiple choice and/or esasy exams. Students must score 70% or higher to be successful.

Outline:

Introduction to sociology and the sociological perspective
Theory and methods
Culture and socialization
Interaction/Social Structure/Groups/Social Institutions
Deviance
Stratification and social inequalities/race/gender/age
Processes of social change