

Master Syllabus

SOC 1108 - Appalachian Families

Division: Liberal Arts, Communication and Social Sciences

Department: Sociology

Credit Hour Total: 3.0

Lecture Hrs: 3.0

Date Revised: October 2013

Course Description:

A critical and analytical examination of the Appalachian experience from the 1700s through the present day with emphasis on the Appalachian family (both rural and urban) as a varied and complex social system, including an examination of the diverse populations within the Appalachian region.

General Education Outcomes:

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

Course Outcomes:

Social and Cultural Processes

Examine the impact of cultural identity, cultural assumptions, and cultural hegemony on the Appalachian family.

Assessment Method: Behavioral observations

Performance Criteria: 70% or higher of possible points

Assessment Method: Locally developed exams

Performance Criteria: Must achieve at least 70% on written exams

Assessment Method: Oral examination

Performance Criteria: 70% or higher of possible points

Diversity and the Appalachian Family

Analyze how the structures and processes of race, class, gender, and place have been experienced and shaped by Appalachian families.

Assessment Method: Behavioral observations

Performance Criteria: 70% or higher of possible points

Assessment Method: Locally developed exams

Performance Criteria: Must achieve at least 70% on written exams

Assessment Method: Oral examination

Performance Criteria: 70% or higher of possible points

Appalachian Cultural Traditions

Discuss the values and norms of the Appalachian culture and family.

Assessment Method: Behavioral observations

Performance Criteria: 70% or higher of possible points

Assessment Method: Locally developed exams

Performance Criteria: Must achieve at least 70% on written exams

Assessment Method: Oral examination

Performance Criteria: 70% or higher of possible points

Appalachian Family Analysis

Analyze the Appalachian family by applying the "social systems" approach.

Assessment Method: Behavioral observations

Performance Criteria: 70% or higher of possible points

Assessment Method: Locally developed exams

Performance Criteria: Must achieve at least 70% on written exams

Assessment Method: Oral examination

Performance Criteria: 70% or higher of possible points

Outline:

Historical overview of Appalachian family life and ways of making a living

Great Migration period

Rural and urban Appalachian family involvement in education, politics, economics, religion, and the arts

Who were the original European settlers, Native American Appalachians, African American Appalachians (Affrilachians), and Immigrants to Appalachia