



Syllabus: Introductory Sociology

Course Number: SOCI 1301

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Textbook Information: Packet “Introductory Sociology 1301” by Dr. Alyce Bunting, linked at our class Jenzabar homepage. You do not need to purchase any materials for this class.

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Student Requirements for Successful Completion of the Course:

(1) TESTS – Tests will be taken online and can be taken at home or at any computer with an internet connection. **There will be a 45 minute time limit for each test.** Sources for test questions include lectures, text, films, and any other material presented to the class. Tests will be 40 – 50 multiple choice questions.

(2) ASSIGNMENTS AND GRADED ACTIVITIES - Several assignments and graded activities will be given this semester. Each assignment/activity will be announced and explained when the material it pertains to is discussed. Assignments can be handed in or sent in early.

Absentee Policy:

Attendance is expected and roll will be taken. You are allowed **4** absences. An absence is defined as failure to attend class, to send in an assignment/activity by its due date, or take a test by the due date. **STUDENTS WHOSE ABSENCES EXCEED THIS LIMIT WILL BE DROPPED FROM THE COURSE BY THE INSTRUCTOR. JOBS, FAMILY AND ILLNESS ARE NOT EXCUSES. THE ONLY EXCUSED ABSENCES ARE FOR SCHOOL-RELATED EVENTS, MILITARY DUTY, OR HOLY DAYS.** Click [here](#) to read the “Absentee Policy” from the TC Catalog.

It is the student’s responsibility to keep up with absences, and to check with the Admissions office to see if they have exceeded their absences and have been dropped from the course.

Student Assessment:

You have the following possibilities for earning points:

- (1) 4 Tests (100 points each)400 total points
 - (2) Assignments and Graded Activities400 total point
- 800 total possible points

Grading Scale:

Grades by total points or grades by grade average (total points divided by 6):

- A:** 720 - 800 total points, or 90 – 100 average
- B:** 640 - 719 total points, or 80 – 89 average
- C:** 560 - 639 total points, or 70 – 79 average
- D:** 480 - 559 total points, or 60 – 69 average
- F:** below 480 total points, or below 60 average

Please check your grades at the “Gradebook” link at myTC often. Any errors in grading or posting need to be noted before the last day of class.

Make-up Policy:

Tests – Make-up tests will be taken online, at any computer with an internet connection. Students who do not take tests by the due dates will have one week to take the make-up test. Students taking make-up tests will be given a **30 minute time limit** for the test.

Assignments - Assignments handed in late will be graded at **half credit** if they are handed in **one class day late**, and receive **no credit** if handed in after that.

Academic Dishonesty Policy:

Scholastic dishonesty, involving but not limited to cheating on a test, plagiarism, collusion, or falsification of records will make the student liable for disciplinary action after being investigated by the Dean of Students. Proven violations of this nature will result in the student being dropped from the class with an “F”.

This policy applies campus wide, including TC Testing Center, as well as off-campus classroom or lab sites, including dual credit campuses.

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Class Schedule:

Material to be covered in the course is divided into 4 parts, with a test given for each part. Refer to the section reviews to help prepare for the exams.

PART I:

Section 1 - The History of Sociology

Section 2 - The Science of Sociology

Section 3 - The Theories of Sociology

TEST 1: Part 1, Sections 1, 2, and 3

PART 2:

Section 1 - Culture

Section 2 - Socialization

TEST 2: Part 2, Sections 1 and 2

PART 3:

Section 1 - Deviance

Section 2 - Race and Ethnicity

TEST 3: Part 3, Sections 1 and 2

PART 4:

Section 1 - Social Stratification

Section 2 - Sex and Gender

TEST 4: Part 4, Sections 1 and 2

IMPORTANT DATES:

1st 8 weeks:

Labor Day Holiday – September 4

Last day to drop classes – September 29

Final Exams – October 5 – 11

2nd 8 weeks:

Thanksgiving Break – Nov. 20 - 24

Last day to drop classes – Dec. 1

Final Exams – Dec. 7 - 13

Commencement – Dec. 15

ANY CHANGES TO THIS SYLLABUS WILL BE ANNOUNCED IN CLASS.