

Sociology 110
Introduction to Sociology
Winter Quarter 2007 – Room A254
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Mon-Fri 9:30-10:20

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Required Textbooks: 1. Essentials of Sociology, 1st Edition, Giddens, w.w.norton publisher 2. Botany of Desire, Pollan, Random House

Course Learning Outcomes:

With completion of this course, successful students will be able to:

1. Question the obvious
2. Distinguish between factual statements and value judgements.
3. Put aside personal ethnocentric attitudes; become culturally relativistic.
4. Critically evaluate the various perspectives in terms of their strengths and weaknesses.
5. Utilize objective criteria for evaluating sociological knowledge.
6. Ascertain cause and effect as well as correlation.
7. Formulate logical conclusions.
8. Apply knowledge to real-life situations.

NOTE: This course's General Education ratings are 3 in Critical Thinking, 2 in Reading, 2 in Ethics, 2 in Historical and Intellectual Perspectives, and 3 in Cultural Diversity.

Grading (in percent):

A	94 – 100	C +	76 – 79.9
A-	90 – 93.9	C	73 – 75.9
B+	86 – 89.9	C -	70 – 72.9
B	83 – 85.9	D +	66 – 69.9
B-	80 – 82.9	D	60 – 65.9
		F	Less than 60

Please understand .. Instructors do not give you a grade – **YOU EARN A GRADE** based upon your **performance and participation**. **You** are responsible for your own success!

Point Distribution by Assignments (see Attachment for details):

Class Participation	300 points
Quizzes (14) 10	140 points
Role Adoptions (14) 50	600 points
Mid-Term Tests (1) 100	100 points
Final Test	100 points
Film Reflections (4) 50	200 points
In class Assignments	100 points
Final SL Paper	200 points
Total	<u>1840 points</u>

Academic Integrity:

You, the student, are expected to conduct yourself with integrity. If you cheat, or aid someone else in cheating, you violate a trust. Cheating includes, but is not limited to, copying answers on tests, glancing at nearby test papers, swapping papers, stealing, plagiarizing, and illicitly giving or receiving help on exams or assignments. The exception is where a specific directive is given for group study through an examination or quiz process by the Instructor.

If you cheat, the following actions will be taken: 1. You will receive a grade of "0" on the work (exam, speech, etc.) where the cheating occurred. This grade cannot be dropped. 2. A report of the incident will be sent to the Dean of students. The Dean may file the report in your permanent record or take further disciplinary action such as suspension or expulsion from the college. If you feel you have been unfairly accused of cheating, you may appeal. (For a description of due process, see WAC 132H-120.)

Intentional **plagiarism** is also cheating. Plagiarism is defined as "The appropriation ... of the language, ideas and thoughts of another..., and representation of them as one's original work." Random House Dictionary of the English Language

Attendance:

Your attendance in class is **essential** for both your success and that of your classmates. Attendance is required. Please communicate to your Instructor regarding any absences.

Expectations:

My Expectations of You:

1. You are required to speak up in class and share your ideas with the whole class, but **please do not talk to other students during class lecture.** (Everyone has a pet peeve, this is mine!) Sarcasm and looking excessively bored are close seconds. Please turn off your cell phone before coming to our classroom.
2. Please be on time and attend class regularly throughout the quarter. Excessive absences and tardiness disrupt the entire class. If you are not present when attendance is taken, you do not get marked as attending class. If you can not attend faithfully and on time, you should not take this class. **Significant, unexcused absences/tardiness will result in a failing grade.**
3. Please respect due-dates for written assignments and delivery of presentations. An alternative may be negotiated **before** the actual due date. Assignments are due at the beginning of class. 25% will be the minimum deducted for late assignments and 50% will be deducted for each full day an assignment is late.
4. Read each chapter prior to class, including Review and Discussion Questions
5. **No late tests, quizzes or presentations will be accepted!**
6. Follow all guidelines for all assignments and make every effort to turn in your best work at all times.
7. You are in charge of your learning. Make every effort to put forth your best attitude and effort in each class!!!

Policy on Student Disabilities:

“Students with disabilities who have accommodation needs are required to meet with the Director of Disability Support Services, Room B-233-G (telephone 425-564-2498 or TTY 425-603-4110), to establish their eligibility for accommodation. In addition, students who require accommodation in classes must review those requirements with each instructor during the first week of the quarter.”