# INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY SOC& 101-E, Fall 2010 11:30-12:20 Daily, C-164

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#### **Course Introduction:**

Welcome to Introduction to Sociology! This course is a broad introduction to the field of Sociology where we will begin to make connections between the most private elements of our lives and the cultures, groups, organizations, and social institutions to which we belong. Throughout this class, we will become acquainted with basic sociological concepts/perspectives and examine the importance of identities across racial/ethnic, class, gendered, and sexual differences. Through lecture, discussion, film, readings, and other media, we will explore the many complexities of our social world. The aim of this course is for us to begin analyzing everyday occurrences and the things that we often take for granted to better understand the relationship between individuals and society. We will question the way things work, challenge why things work the way they do, and critically think about who we are within (and how do we connect with others within) the world around us. Ultimately, this course will compel us to see the ways in which the structure of society is greater than the sum of the experiences and psychologies of the individuals within it. Welcome, strap yourself in, and enjoy the ride!

# **Required Texts:**

- 1. David Newman. "Sociology: Exploring the Architecture of Everyday Life." 8<sup>th</sup> edition. Pine Forge Press: 2010.
- 2. Additional articles or handouts are posted on the course website (My BC under "shared documents") or distributed in class.

# Learning Atmosphere:

I believe that students learn best when they are actively involved in the teaching and learning process. Thus, this is an active and interactive course where you will often learn by doing. You are expected to observe the world, read, write, discuss, and participate. I think of our class as a collaborative learning community where we all teach and learn from each other. Every time you make a comment or ask a question, you teach something to the rest of us. I challenge you to abandon the traditional passive student role and to get involved with teaching and learning – I think you'll enjoy it and learn a lot in the process.

<u>A note about course content</u>: Since sociologists examine just about every aspect of the social world, we will sometimes talk about provocative material in class. Please be advised that when we explore controversial topics, they will be framed in an academic context. Topics run the gamut in sociology and at times there may be material that makes people uncomfortable. Keep in mind that when we find ourselves in a space outside of our comfort zone, it's an opportunity for learning. You may be confronted with subject matter that is difficult to watch, see, discuss, or listen to. You are free to leave the room at any time, but please know you will be responsible for any course material you may have missed while you were gone. Also, profanity exists in our social world and thus will be used throughout this course - so please be advised. If you have any questions or concerns about course content or climate, don't hesitate to let me know.

# **Learning and Course Outcomes:**

After participating, discussing, and completing this course, a successful student will demonstrate:

- 1. A general understanding of basic concepts most widely used in sociology today.
- 2. A critical idea of society and community, including where in your social landscape you live, and how you observe those around you.
- 3. A general knowledge and comprehension of how social, political, and cultural forms of power are played out, and how some folks perceive those experiences.
- 4. A general understanding of the representation and identity construction of various groups in historical and contemporary analyses of culture in the US.
- 5. Identify the ways in which culture and social institutions (such as education, economy, media, family) shape our everyday experiences
- 6. Explain social constructionism and how life experiences and opportunities differ according to race, class, gender, and sexuality
- 7. Become culturally relative and think outside of personal ethnocentrisms or other biases.

## **General Education Outcomes:**

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.

# General Course Rules and Expectations:

- Attendance: Attend all class meetings and come to class on time. Your presence in class contributes significantly toward your final grade in the course as I cover a lot of material in class that cannot be found in the readings. More than three unexcused absences or late attendances will lower your grade, and continue to do so as you miss more classes. To have an absence or tardy considered excused, you must discuss it with me prior to the absence or tardy, unless it is an emergency. Excused absences include doctor's visits, family emergencies, and sometimes work-related issues. If you miss class, please connect with your colleagues to find out what you missed. I highly recommend that you get the names and contact information of one or two of your classmates so you can contact them for any assignments or notes you may have missed while absent.
- **Preparation:** You should come to class having done all the assigned reading and homework and you should always bring the proper supplies with you daily, including your textbook. Note that the BC guideline for homework is two hours outside of class for each hour spent in class.
- Assignments: All assignments are <u>due at the start of the class period</u>. Assignments, papers, homework, or exams must be typed, printed out, stapled, and handed in at the beginning of class. Emailed assignments are not accepted. If you know you are going to be absent on the day an assignment is due, then turn it in early. All major due dates are indicated on the attached Course Calendar. <u>Please see the writing guidelines for the format of submitting all written assignments.</u>
- Late Work: I believe that one of the major lessons students take away from college is the importance of meeting deadlines. As a result, no late work will be accepted unless you have had it approved by me BEFORE the due date. Late work will receive a zero grade.
- **Contribution:** Learning about each other's experiences and perspectives is an integral part of the learning process in this course. I believe that you will learn a lot about yourself and your fellow classmates. Therefore, you are expected to be an active participant in our learning environment. An active participant can include contributing to discussions, but can also mean getting to class on time, taking notes, listening to your peers, and coming to class prepared. You should do your best to contribute to class discussions and activities.
- Classroom Etiquette: All electronic devices are prohibited in the classroom at all times. This includes cell phones, blackberries, laptops, i-pods/mp3 players, etc. If you need a laptop to take notes, I will need verification. All texting devices should be placed in your bag for the duration of the class. Please note that that texting, excessive talking, or other disruptive behavior is not only disrespectful to me, it is also

- disrespectful to the people around you. Your participation grade will be affected and lowered by these types of behaviors.
- Respect: I expect that your behavior in class be respectful. Learning about diverse experiences is central to this course, so it is of the utmost importance that you respect your classmates' experiences, differences, and opinions. In order for us to learn from each other, we have to allow each other to make mistakes and to offer unpopular positions for debate. This is a college classroom and as such, I expect students to behave as adults. I do not tolerate excessive talking or whispering, consistent late arrivals, or early departures. Students who are disrespectful to their classmates or the instructor will be asked to leave class and will be marked absent until arrangements are made with the instructor to return to class and will result in your participation credit lowering.
- Plagiarism: Cheating, stealing and plagiarizing (using the ideas or words of another as one's own without
  crediting the source) are violations of the Student Code of Conduct at Bellevue College. This is a serious
  offense which can result in possible probation or suspension from Bellevue College and go on your
  permanent academic record. Do not do it!

# Bellevue College's Rules and Regulations:

- **Incomplete:** If a student fails to complete all the required work for a course, an instructor may assign the grade of Incomplete ("I"). The student must complete the coursework by the end of the next quarter, or receive the assigned letter grade (usually an "F").
- F Grade: Students who fail a course will receive a letter grade of "F."
- **Final Examination Schedule:** The Social Science Division will adhere to the final examination schedule as stated in the BC Schedule. Final examinations will be held at the end of each quarter at fixed times. Instructors will not give examinations in advance of the regular schedule. A student who is absent from any examination held at any time during the quarter may forfeit the right to make up the examination. If, for illness or some other circumstance beyond the student's control, the student is unable to be present at any scheduled examination and has contacted the instructor on a timely basis, the student may be permitted to take such examination at a time designated by the instructor.
- Withdrawal from Class: College policy states that students must formally withdraw from a class by the end of the seventh week of the quarter (Registration Office, B125). If a student has not withdrawn by that date, an appropriate letter grade will be assigned for the course.
- Hardship Withdrawal: Instructors may assign the grade of "HW" (hardship withdrawal) at their discretion in the event that a student cannot complete the coursework due to extreme and exceptional circumstances. Students may also contact the Enrollment Services office BEFORE grades are assigned in cases of hardship.
- Cheating, Stealing and Plagiarizing: Cheating, stealing and plagiarizing (using the ideas or words of another as one's own without crediting the source) and inappropriate/disruptive classroom behavior are violations of the Student Code of Conduct at Bellevue College. Examples of unacceptable behavior include, but are not limited to: talking out of turn, arriving late or leaving early without a valid reason, allowing cell phones/pagers to ring, and inappropriate behavior toward the instructor or classmates. The instructor can refer any violation of the Student Code of Conduct to the Dean of Student Services for possible probation or suspension from Bellevue College. Specific student rights, responsibilities and appeal procedures are listed in the Student Code of Conduct, available in the office of the Dean of Student Services. If you are accused of cheating, stealing exams and/or plagiarism, there is a Bellevue College Student Discipline and Appeals Procedure (the right to due process) which you may pursue. Contact the office of Division Chair (D110), the Dean of Student Services (B231A) or the Associated Student Body (C212) for information regarding the appeals process.
- Students Who Require Disability Accommodations: Students with disabilities who have accommodation needs are encouraged to meet with the Disability Resource Center (DRC) office located in B132 (telephone 425.564.2498 or TTY 425.564.4110), to establish their eligibility for accommodation. The DRC office will provide each eligible student with an accommodation letter. Students who require accommodation in class should review the DRC accommodation letter with each instructor during the first week of the quarter. Students with

- mobility challenges who may need assistance in case of an emergency situation or evacuation should register with Disability Resource Center, and review those needs with the instructor as well.
- **Distribution of Grades:** Grades will not be posted in the Social Science Division or in faculty offices, and secretaries will not give out grades. Students should access their grades through the BC Web site.
- Return of Papers and Tests: Paper and/or Scantron score sheet returns will be arranged in the following ways
  ONLY: by mail, if student supplies the instructor with stamped, self-addressed envelope (with appropriate
  postage); or by the instructor designating a time and place whereby the student may retrieve his/her papers.
  Unclaimed papers and/or Scantron score sheets must be kept by the instructor for a minimum of sixty (60)
  instructional days following the end of the quarter.

## **Students with Disabilities:**

All students are responsible for all requirements of the class, but the way they meet these requirements may vary. If you need specific academic accommodations due to a disability, please speak with me and with the Disability Resource Center at (425)564-2498. You will need to obtain the appropriate documentation from the DRC in room B132. The disability accommodation documentation must be given to me before it is needed rather than afterward, so that we can make appropriate arrangements. You will need to make arrangements with the DRC in advance for test-taking or other accommodations.

# **Grading:**

Grades are based on four factors. (1) Participation and Discussion, (2) Daily Notecards on the Readings, (3) Weekly Written Assignments, and (4) Exams. Each of these elements is awarded a specific number of points:

Participation/Discussion	50 points
Daily Notecards on Readings (10 at 10 points/each)	100 points
Weekly Written Assignments (10 at 15 points/each)	150 points
Exams (2 at 100 points/each)	200 points
TOTAL	500 points

Grade	Points	Percentage
A	463-500	93–100%
A-	448-462	90-92%
B+	438–447	88-89%
В	413–437	83-87%
В-	398-412	80-82%
C+	388-397	78-79%

Grade	Points	Percentage
С	363-387	73–77%
С-	348-362	70–72%
D+	338-347	68-69%
D	298–337	60-67%
F	297 & Below	59% & Below

# **Description of the 4 Grading Components:**

#### 1. Participation/Discussion: (50/500 points)

Participation is essential to the format of this class and will therefore contribute significantly toward your grade. In short, your success in this class depends on your active participation. Participation includes attendance, getting to class on time, class discussions, and group work. Disruptive behavior, excessive talking, texting while in class, or other interruptions will lower this portion of your grade. See the *General Course Rules and Expectations* for details about what is considered disruptive behavior. Do not take this portion of your grade lightly!

#### 2. Daily Notecards on the Readings: (100/500 points; 10 points each)

For each day that a reading is assigned, you will need to submit a notecard about the readings for that day. If there are multiple readings, you must write on all readings assigned on a given day. At the beginning of each class period, I will collect your 3x5 notecard. Notecards must be turned in at the start of class at 11:30 – late notecards will not be accepted and I will not accept notecards submitted at the end of the class period. The purpose of these cards is to help you keep up with the readings as well as help facilitate a more informed discussion for that day's class period. I will collect the cards every day in order to keep track of your attendance, although they won't always be graded. So if you are in class, but have not done the reading, turn in a notecard with your name on it so I can mark you as present for that day. Ten times during the quarter, however, I will announce at the beginning of class that "your notecards will be graded today." For those graded notecards, you will receive a score of between 0 and 10. Notecards must follow a particular format, as described below, and must include your name, date, title of the article and author, 5-6 sentences providing the thesis of the article, and any definitions or key terms that is discussed in the reading. You can use your notecards to help you on your exams - so spending some time now defining key terms and naming the thesis of the articles will help you when the exam comes. The guidelines for submitting your notecards are as follows:

NAME	TITLE OF ARTICLE & AUTHOR	DATE
	THESIS OF ARTICLE – 5-6 Sentences describing the main arguments of the article	
	List/Define any Key terms discussed in the article on the back of the notecard	

#### 3. Weekly Written Assignments: (150/500 points; 15 points each)

Over the course of the quarter, you will be asked a total of 10 times to submit written assignments following a section of the textbook. The directions and guidelines are listed in the text and due dates are noted on the syllabus. Each assignment should be approximately 1-2 pages (typed) in length. The goal of these assignments is to personalize and apply the material discussed in each chapter as well as get students in the habit of writing. I encourage you to look at the assignment directions in advance at the beginning of each new chapter/section, so that you familiarize yourself with the expectations of each assignment due.

#### 4. Exams: (200/500 points)

Over the course of the quarter, you will take two exams that integrate the course's in-class activities (lectures, films, etc.) and readings. Exams are designed to make sure you understand important course concepts and themes. Exams will include multiple choice and short answer questions. Please note that you cannot make up missed exams. The <u>first exam will be split between two days during our class period</u>. The first section will include multiple-choice on Thursday, <u>October 28<sup>th</sup> and the second day will be comprised of short answer on Friday, October 29<sup>th</sup></u>. The second exam will be over material discussed during the latter half of the class, so it will not be comprehensive. <u>The second exam will be on Monday, December 6<sup>th</sup> during our scheduled exam time, <u>11:30 – 1:20</u>, so please plan ahead.</u>

PLEASE NOTE THAT IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, COSIDERATIONS, OR COMPLAINTS ABOUT A GRADE YOU RECEIVED, I ASK YOU TO TAKE 24 HOURS TO REEXAMINE THE ANSWERS OR THE WRITING THAT YOU SUBMITTED AND THEN COME AND TALK WITH ME.

#### \*\* General Guidelines for All Written Work \*\*

All papers or written work should be typed, in Times New Roman, 12 point font, double-spaced with 1" margins on all sides, and stapled. Assignments are <u>due at the beginning of class</u> – promptly at <u>11:30 a.m.</u> – <u>no late work will be accepted</u>. Late papers or assignments will receive a zero. No emailed assignments will be accepted. Your work must be cited in MLA style and you must always give proper credit to the texts from which you draw and formulate your ideas. Title pages and bibliographies are not counted toward the minimum page requirements. Student information (name, assignment title, class) is single-spaced, at the top left-hand side of the page. Do not put extra spaces between paragraphs and paragraphs contain no less than four sentences. Magazines, newspapers, journals, and books are *italicized*. Movie titles, article titles, song titles, etc. are "in quotation marks." Quotes inside of a quotation use 'single quotation marks.' Papers should be written from an academic perspective – so <u>no colloquial language please!</u>

#### **Instructor Notes:**

If at any point throughout the quarter you are confused or unclear about the expectations of the course, course material, a grade you received, or any other matters, I strongly encourage you to come talk with me early. It is my goal that all students succeed in this course; but, I can only help you if you meet me half way. Furthermore, if you are having personal problems or other issues going on outside of school, please let me know. I recognize that we all have lives outside of school, and am very willing to work with students, but I can only do so if I know there is a problem!

# **Record Your Quarter Grades**

Notecard #1	/10	Assignment #1/15	Exam #1/100
Notecard #2	/10	Assignment #2/15	Exam #2 /100
Notecard #3	/10	Assignment #3/15	
Notecard #4	/10	Assignment #4/15	Participation/50
Notecard #5	/10_	Assignment #5 /15	
Notecard #6	/10_	Assignment #6 /15	Days Absent:
Notecard #7	/10	Assignment #7 <u>/15</u>	
Notecard #8	/10_	Assignment #8/15	
Notecard #9	/10	Assignment #9 /15	
Notecard #10	<u>/10</u>	Assignment #10/15	

# **Syllabus**

You should be looking at your syllabus on a daily basis so you know what is expected of you in class. Also, you are expected to have read the readings assigned for the current day by the time you arrive in class!

\*\*Though I will try to remain as faithful as possible to this syllabus, I reserve the right to make changes. These will be announced in advance in class. \*\*

#### Week 1

#### Monday, September 20th: Introduction to the Course

Go over syllabus; class introductions; beginning definitions

# Tuesday, September 21st: Course Introductions: Getting to Know Your Peers

Continue going over syllabus and introductions

#### Wednesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>: What is Sociology?

Readings: "Taking a New Look at a Familiar World," pp. 2-8
"An Invitation to Sociology," by P. Berger on course website

#### Thursday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>: Understanding the Sociological Imagination

Readings: "Taking a New Look at a Familiar World," pp. 8-9
"The Sociological Imagination," by C.W. Mills on course website



#### Friday, September 24th: Employing the Sociological Imagination

Readings: "Emile Durkheim: A Sociological View of Suicide," pp. 9-15

"The My Lai Massacre: A Military Crime of Obedience," by Kelman and Hamilton on course website

Assignment #1 Due (complete the assignment on pg. 15)

#### Week 2

#### Monday, September 27th: How Individuals Structure Society

Readings: "Seeing and Thinking Sociologically," pp. 17-22
"Stanley Milgrim: Ordinary People and Cruel Acts," pp. 22-23

#### Tuesday, September 28th: Societal Influences and How Social Structures Impact Our Everyday Lives

Readings: "Seeing and Thinking Sociologically," pp. 24-29
"The Economics and Politics of Food," by Marion Nestle pp. 30-31

#### Wednesday, September 29th: Cultural and Subcultural Influences

Readings: "Seeing and Thinking Sociologically," pp. 31-32; 34-35
"The Culture of Fear," by Barry Glassner on course website

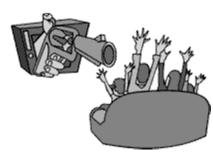
#### Thursday, September 30<sup>th</sup>: Micro-Macro Connections

Readings: "Family Privacy versus Children's Welfare," pp. 32-34 "The Old Ball Game," pp. 36-43



Readings: "Seeing and Thinking Sociologically," pp. 44-48

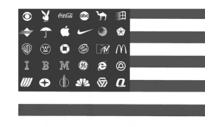
Assignment #2 Due (complete the assignment on pg. 48)



#### Week 3

#### Monday, October 4th: The Social Construction of Reality

Readings: "Building Reality: The Social Construction of Knowledge," pp. 52-57 "The Language of War," pp. 57-58



## Tuesday, October 5th: Self-Fulfilling Prophecies & Understanding Conflict and Power

Readings: "Building Reality," pp. 59-67

"Personal Billboards," pp. 68-75

Begin conducting assignment #3 on pg. 89 – Due on Friday October 8<sup>th</sup>

#### Wednesday, October 6<sup>th</sup>: Culture and History

Readings: "Building Order," pp. 92-101
"The Chair," pp. 95-96

"Can You Hear Me Now," pp. 101-103

# Thursday, October 7th: Cultural Norms and Social Institutions

Readings: "Building Order," pp. 103-104; 106-108 "I've got a Feeling," pp. 104-105

"Body Ritual among the Nacirema," by Horace Miner on course website

#### Friday, October 8th: Cultural Variance

Readings: "Building Order," pp. 108-110; 121-123

"Funeral Rituals in the Netherlands," pp. 111-120

Assignment #3 Due (complete the assignment on pg. 89)

#### Week 4

#### Monday, October 11th: Norm Violation Day (Assignment #4)

Readings: "Social Norms," pp. 123-124

Today we are going to go around campus and conduct our own social research by violating social norms. Bring a notebook and be prepared to take research notes on our observations to turn in at the end of class!

# Tuesday, October 12th: Assimilation versus Acculturation

Readings: "The Melting Pot," by Anne Fadiman on course website "McDonald's in Hong Kong," by James Watson on course website

#### Wednesday, October 13<sup>th</sup>: Identity, Socialization, and Social Structures

Readings: "Building Identity," pp. 126-136 "Spencer Cahill," pp. 134-135

#### Thursday, October 14th: Stratification and Inequality

Readings: "Building Identity," pp. 136-141

"Girls' Toys and Boys' Toys," pp. 141-143

"Life as a Maid's Daughter," by Mary Romero on course website

#### Friday, October 15<sup>th</sup>: Institutions and Socialization

Readings: "Building Identity," pp. 143-145; 152-156

"The Making of Culture, Identity, and Ethnicity among Asian American Youth," by Min Zhou and Jennifer Lee on course website

"Working 'the Code': On Girls, Gender, and Inner-City Violence," by Nikki Jones on course website





#### Week 5

## Monday, October 18th: Self-Presentation

Readings: "Supporting Identity," pp. 159-162; 164-165

"Sizing People Up," pp. 162-164

"The Presentation of the Self in Everyday Life," by Erving Goffman on course website

Assignment #5 Due (complete the assignment on pg. 156-157)

#### Tuesday, October 19th: Impression Management

Readings: "Supporting Identity," pp. 165-171

"Peter Ubel," pp. 170-171

"Maternity and Its Discontents," by R. Upton and S. Han on course website

#### Wednesday, October 20th: Collective Management

Readings: "Supporting Identity," pp. 171-177
"Elijah Anderson," pp. 172-173

"The Girl Hunt," by David Grazian on course website

#### Thursday, October 21st: Mismanaging Impressions

Readings: "Supporting Identity," pp. 177-183

## Friday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>: Intimacy and Families

Readings: "Building Social Relationships," pp. 185-190; 194

"The Radical Idea of Marrying for Love," by Stephanie Coontz on course website

## Week 6

# Monday, October 25th: Family Life

Readings: "Building Social Relationships," pp. 194-204

"Diversity among Same-Sex Couples and their Children," by Gary Gates on course website

Tuesday, October 26th: Wrap up and Review for Exam #1

Wednesday, October 27th: No Class – College Issues Day

Thursday, October 28th: Exam #1 - Part 1

Friday, October 29th: Exam #1 – Part 2

#### Week 7

#### Monday, November 1st: Social Structures and Everyday Life

Readings: "The Structure of Society," pp. 260-270; 272-279

"George Ritzer," pp. 270-271

"US Health Care System," pp. 277-278

#### Tuesday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>: Globalization and Social Institutions

Readings: "The Structure of Society," pp. 279-281; 290-294

"The Trail of the Tomato," pp. 282-289



#### Wednesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>: Global Realities of a Consumer Culture

Readings: "These Dark Satanic Mills," by William Greider on course website "How to Squeeze More out of a Penny," by Ellen Rosen on course website Assignment #6 Due (complete the assignment on pg. 294-295)

## Thursday, November 4th: Social Class and Inequality

Readings: "The Architecture of Stratification," pp. 297-299; 300-307 "Buying and Selling Humans," p. 299 Begin research for Assignment #7 on pg. 333

## Friday, November 5<sup>th</sup>: Class Inequality in the United States

Readings: "The Architecture of Stratification," pp. 307-312; 313-319 "Mike Rose," pp. 312-313 "Out on the Street," 313-314



# Week 8

#### Monday, November 8th: An Examination of the Poor

Readings: "Making Class Invisible," by Gregory Mantsios on course website Bring research to conduct Assignment #7 in class

## Tuesday, November 9<sup>th</sup>: The Uses of Poverty

Readings: "The Architecture of Stratification," pp. 320-327; 328-333 "The Global Health Divide," pp. 327-328

"The Compassion Gap in American Poverty Policy," by Block, et al on course website



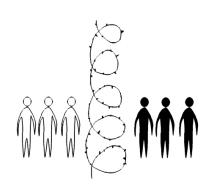
Readings: "Avenue to Adulthood: Teenage Pregnancy and the Meaning of Motherhood in Poor Communities," by Gabrielle Raley on course website

## Thursday, November 11th: No Class – Professional Development Day

#### Friday, November 12th: Racial and Ethnic Inequality

Readings: "The Architecture of Inequality," pp. 336-340; 341-342; 349-352 "Why Isn't Barack Obama White?" pp. 340-341

"Racial and Ethnic Formation," by Omi and Winant on course website



#### Week 9

#### Monday, November 15<sup>th</sup>: Historical Considerations

Readings: "The Architecture of Inequality," pp. 341-342; 349-352

"'Civilizing' the Indians," pp. 343-348

"Willie Lynch's Letters," on course website

Begin research for Assignment #8 on pp. 380-381

#### Tuesday, November 16th: Prejudice, Discrimination, and Racism

Readings: "The Architecture of Inequality," pp. 352-358; 360-362; 365-366

"White Men on Race," pp. 359-360

"Racial Superiority and the Dominant Black Athlete," pp. 363-364

"Optional Ethnicities," by Mary Waters on course website





#### Wednesday, November 17th: Racialized Inequality in the Economic System

Readings: "A House Divided," pp. 366-367

"The Architecture of Inequality," pp. 367-380

"The Downside of Racial Uplift: The Meaning of Gentrification in an African American Neighborhood," by Michelle Boyd on course website

## Thursday, November 18th: Inequality in Sex and Gender

Readings: "The Architecture of Inequality," pp. 383-387; 389-393

Assignment #8 Due (complete the assignment on pg. 380-381)

#### Friday, November 19th: Connecting Gendered Oppression to Homophobia

Readings: "Gender, Power and Harassment in the Military," pp. 387-388

"The Architecture of Inequality," pp. 388-389

"Cheerleading and the Gendered Politics of Sport," by Grindstaff and West on course website





#### Week 10

#### Monday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>: The Ideology of Sexism

Readings: "The Architecture of Inequality," pp. 393-395

"Black Women and a New Definition of Womanhood," by Bart Landry on course website

#### Tuesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>: Institutions of Gender Inequality

Readings: "The Architecture of Inequality," pp. 395-399; 400-403

"Can Media Images be Hazardous to Your Health," pp. 399-400

#### Wednesday, November 24th: Gendered Jobs and Economics

Readings: "The Architecture of Inequality," pp. 404-411

"Still a Man's World," by Christine Williams on course website

Assignment #9 Due (complete the assignment on pp. 411-412)

Thursday, November 25<sup>th</sup>: No Class - Holiday

Friday, November 26th: No Class - Holiday



#### Week 11

## Monday, November 29th: Creating Social Change

Readings: "Architects of Change," pp. 447-455; 456-457

"Technology and the Erosion of Privacy," pp. 455-456

#### Tuesday, November 30<sup>th</sup>: Social Movements

Readings: "Architects of Change," pp. 457-461; 470-474 "Portraits of Grief," pp. 462-469

#### Wednesday, December 1st: Collective Action

Readings: "Muslim American Immigrants After 9/11," by Pierrette Hondagneu-Sotelo on course website "Challenging Power," by Celene Krauss on course website



# Thursday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>: Revisiting the Sociological Imagination

Readings: "Aquí estamos y no nos vamos!: Global Capital and Immigrant Rights," by William Robinson on course website

"Architects of Change," pp. 474-477

Friday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>: Concluding Thoughts and Review for Final Exam
Assignment #10 Due (complete the assignment on pg. 478)

# **Week 12**

Monday, December 6<sup>th</sup>: Exam #2 (11:30-1:20)

