

CATALOG INFORMATION

Dept and Nbr: SOC 30

Title: RACIAL INEQUALITIES

Full Title: Race, Ethnicity, and Inequality

Last Reviewed: 11/27/2023

Units		Course Hours per Week		Nbr of Weeks	Course Hours Total	
Maximum	3.00	Lecture Scheduled	3.00	17.5	Lecture Scheduled	52.50
Minimum	3.00	Lab Scheduled	0	6	Lab Scheduled	0
		Contact DHR	0		Contact DHR	0
		Contact Total	3.00		Contact Total	52.50
		Non-contact DHR	0		Non-contact DHR	0

Total Out of Class Hours: 105.00

Total Student Learning Hours: 157.50

Title 5 Category: AA Degree Applicable

Grading: Grade or P/NP

Repeatability: 00 - Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP

Also Listed As:

Formerly:

Catalog Description:
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Prerequisites/Corequisites:

Recommended Preparation:
Eligibility for ENGL 1A or equivalent

Limits on Enrollment:

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Transfer Credit: CSU;UC.

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ARTICULATION, MAJOR, and CERTIFICATION INFORMATION:

AS Degree:	Area	Effective:	Inactive:
	D	Social and Behavioral Sciences	Fall 1981
	G	American Cultures/Ethnic Studies	
CSU GE:	Transfer Area	Effective:	Inactive:
	D	Social Science	Fall 2012
	D0	Sociology and Criminology	
	D3	Ethnic Studies	
	D	Social Science	Fall 2011
	D0	Sociology and Criminology	Summer 2012
	D1	Anthropology and Archeology	
	D3	Ethnic Studies	
	D4	Gender Studies	
	D	Social Science	Fall 1991
	D0	Sociology and Criminology	Summer 2011
	D1	Anthropology and Archeology	
	D4	Gender Studies	
	D	Social Science	Fall 1981
	D1	Anthropology and Archeology	Summer 1991
	D4	Gender Studies	
IGETC:	Transfer Area	Effective:	Inactive:
	4	Social and Behavioral Science	Fall 2011
	4C	Ethnic Studies	
	4J	Sociology and Criminology	
	4	Social and Behavioral Science	Fall 1991
	4J	Sociology and Criminology	Summer 2011
CSU Transfer:	Transferable	Effective:	Fall 1981
		Inactive:	
UC Transfer:	Transferable	Effective:	Fall 1981
		Inactive:	
CID:			
CID Descriptor:	SOCI 150	Introduction to Race and Ethnicity	
SRJC Equivalent Course(s):		PSYC34 OR SOC30	
Certificate/Major Applicable:			
Both Certificate and Major Applicable			

COURSE CONTENT

Student Learning Outcomes:

At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:

1. Apply an intersectional sociological lens to identify the ways in which racism impacts everyone's lives and life chances.
2. Analyze ways in which they can adopt anti-racism in their everyday lives.
3. Apply their personal histories and lived experiences to course content.

Objectives:

At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:

1. Analyze how one's personal history is shaped by the global legacies of racism and colonialism.
2. Understand that race is a socially-constructed concept with real-life consequences.
3. Appreciate the living cultures, cosmologies, and communities of indigenous populations.
4. Describe how historical patterns of access to property, power, and privilege have shaped race relations in the United States and laid the foundation for current patterns of racial and ethnic inequalities.
5. Analyze the sociological theories explaining the origins of individual forms of prejudice and discrimination.
6. Evaluate how ongoing racist public policies regulating housing, education, employment, political representation, transportation, healthcare, and other institutions impact the life chances of marginalized communities.
7. Evaluate historical institutional racism and current racist policies explaining historical and current disparities in the criminalization, policing, and mass incarceration of communities of color.
8. Understand past and current immigration patterns and analyze the challenges and resilience of immigrant communities.
9. Appreciate anti-racist social movements addressing racial inequalities from an intersectional lens, such as abolitionism, civil rights movements from the 1950s to present day, farmworkers' rights, indigenous land back movements, LGBTQ+ rights, feminisms, reproductive justice, immigration reform, affirmative action, criminal justice, decarceration, and #BlackLivesMatter.
10. Express their agency and voice in becoming anti-racists to bring about social justice in whatever shape or form they are able.

Topics and Scope:

I. Introduction

- A. Introspection
- B. Social construction and power
- C. Intersectionality
- D. Patterns of racial and ethnic inequalities in the U.S.

II. The 400+ Year History of Racism in the United States

- A. Colonization of Native lands and genocide of Indigenous populations
- B. Land grabs, forced migrations (e.g., the Trail of Tears), and forced resettlements
- C. Chattel slavery
- D. Reconstruction and Jim Crow segregation
- E. The Zoot Suit Riots and Juan Crow segregation
- F. Orientalism
- G. Imprisonment of Japanese and Japanese Americans during WWII
- H. Immigration quotas, exclusions, and unequal statuses
- I. War on Drugs
- J. Mass Incarceration
- K. Oil, missing women, and modern atrocities against Indigenous people and land
- L. Decolonization

III. Institutional Racism, Policies, and Resources

- A. Housing
 - B. Education
 - C. Employment
 - D. Political representation
 - E. Transportation
 - F. Healthcare
 - G. Anti-racist policies such as reparations, land back movements, and prison abolition (among others)
- IV. Individual Racism
- A. Sociological theories of prejudice and discrimination
 - B. Microaggressions
 - C. Color-blind racism
 - D. Implicit bias
 - E. White fragility/privilege
 - F. Other -isms and discriminatory practices
- V. Immigration
- A. Historical and current immigration patterns to the U.S.
 - B. Racist foundations of discriminatory immigration policies and their consequences
 - C. Present day issues of migrant labor, transnational work, and refugee movement and resettlement
- VI. Social Movements
- A. Abolitionism
 - B. Civil rights movements (1950s to present)
 - C. Black feminist thought and intersectional feminisms
 - D. Criminal justice
 - E. Immigration reform and DACA
 - F. #BlackLivesMatter
- VII. Controlling Images and Stereotypes in the Mass Media
- A. Nation building and colonial propaganda
 - B. White privilege and stereotypical representations in radio, photography, cinema, TV, and digital media
 - C. Problems of diversity behind and in front of the camera
 - D. Advocacy for greater diversity
- VIII. Freedom Dreaming and Agency
- A. Acknowledgement of the colonizing mindset
 - B. Equity from various cultural perspectives
 - C. Social justice activism and agency

Assignment:

1. Weekly reading assignments and/or multimedia engagement
2. Quizzes and/or exams on material from lectures, readings, and other media
3. Writing assignments (cumulative total of at least 1500 words) across media such as:
 - A. Class exercises
 - B. Personal reflections
 - C. Reaction papers
 - D. Research projects
 - E. Journal entries
 - F. Online discussions
 - G. Annotations
 - H. Media analyses
4. Additional assignments as determined by instructor may include:

- A. Group projects
- B. Class presentations
- C. Video presentations
- D. Ethnographic fieldwork
- E. Others

Methods of Evaluation/Basis of Grade:

Writing: Assessment tools that demonstrate writing skills and/or require students to select, organize and explain ideas in writing.

Written assignments

Writing
40 - 60%

Problem Solving: Assessment tools, other than exams, that demonstrate competence in computational or non-computational problem solving skills.

None

Problem solving
0 - 0%

Skill Demonstrations: All skill-based and physical demonstrations used for assessment purposes including skill performance exams.

None

Skill Demonstrations
0 - 0%

Exams: All forms of formal testing, other than skill performance exams.

Quizzes and/or exams

Exams
40 - 60%

Other: Includes any assessment tools that do not logically fit into the above categories.

Additional assignments

Other Category
0 - 10%

Representative Textbooks and Materials:

How to be an Antiracist. Kendi, Ibram X. One World Publishers. 2019.

Race, Ethnicity, Gender, and Class: The Sociology of Group Conflict and Change. Healey, Joseph F. and Andi Stepnick. Sage. 2022.

The Matrix of Race: Social Construction, Intersectionality, and Inequality. Coates, Rodney D. and Ferber, Abby L. and Brunsma, David L. Sage. 2021.

The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness. Alexander, Michelle. New Press. 2020.

We want to do more than survive: Abolitionist Teaching and the Pursuit of Educational Freedom. Love, Bettina. Beacon Press. 2019.

The Heartbeat of Wounded Knee: Native America from 1890 to the Present. Treuer, David. Riverhead Books. 2019.

The Making of Asian America: A History. Lee, Erika. Simon & Schuster. 2015 (classic).

Strangers from a Different Shore: A History of Asian Americans. Takaki, Ronald. Little, Brown & Co. 1998 (classic).

Open Educational Resources (OER):

Race and Ethnic Relations in the U.S.: An Intersectional Approach. Gutierrez, Erika et al.

https://socialsci.libretexts.org/Bookshelves/Social_Justice_Studies/Race_and_Ethnic_Relations_in_the_U.S.%3A_An_Intersectional_Approach Creative Commons Attribution 4.0 International License.