

Sociology 1

Spring 2017

Introduction to Sociology

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Section: 7777

Most of what is interesting in life falls under the purview of sociological study. This course will provide students with an introduction to the scientific study of human society and social interactions through an understanding of the forces that shape our individual behavior and create our social world. Upon completion of this course, students will understand the major theories, concepts, and methodologies of sociology and be able to examine society, social problems and social groups analytically; students will develop a “sociological imagination.” This course will rely heavily on student participation and completion of assigned reading. Students will be encouraged to engage in self-directed learning processes.

Course Content & Student Learning Outcomes

Course content and SLOs for this course can be viewed at the following link:

https://portal.santarosa.edu/SRweb/SR_CourseOutlines.aspx

Required Textbook:

- Readings for Sociology: 8th Edition. Garth Massey, ed. W. W. Norton & Company, 2015. ISBN-13: 978-0-393-93884-5 (pbk.)

Required Book: One of the following two choices:

- Between the World and Me. Ta-Nehesi Coates. Spiegel & Grau. 2015 ISBN: 978-0-8129-9354-7
- From #Blacklivesmatter to Black Liberation. Keeanga-Yamahatta Taylor. Haymarket Books. 2016 ISBN: 978-2-60846-562-0

Recommended Textbook:

- Social Problems: 2nd Edition. Joel Best. W. W. Norton & Company, 2013. ISBN-13: 978-0-393-91863-2 (pbk.)

Requirements

Weekly Points: Students will be able to earn 20 points a week (for 9 weeks of the course –see weekly breakdown on page 3). Students may drop their lowest weekly points score, for a total of **160 Points** over the course of the semester. If you miss class the day work is due or happening during class, you may not make it up unless you have a doctor's note or another situation that conforms to the SRJC attendance policy (see link on the following page).

Quizzes or other hand-written assignments must be written in a **Green Book**. Failure to do so will result in a 2 point deduction from your score.

Discussion Paper: Students will choose one book (either Between the World and Me or From #Blacklivesmatter) to read over the semester. Instructor will provide students with a number of essay prompts to choose from for each book. Students will submit a 2 page response (typed, double spaced) no later than May 2, 2017. Students may turn this assignment in earlier if they wish. This assignment is worth **30 points and must be submitted through Turnitin.**

Final Project: A final group project worth **70 points (50 for the paper, 20 for the presentation)** will be due on **May 9, 2017**. Students will give a 15-20 minute presentation (in the format of their choice) on their final project to the class. At the final exam, students will be asked to rate group members and turn in a formal evaluation rubric regarding the group process. Instructor will consider these evaluations when determining the final grade of each student.

Class Attendance: Attendance is mandatory and participation is expected. Students who miss two consecutive classes without prior permission from the instructor before February 6, 2017 (First Census) will be dropped. After February 6, 2017, students must drop the course themselves; the instructor will not take responsibility for dropping students after that date. A full explanation of the SRJC attendance policy is available at the following link:

<https://admissions.santarosa.edu/college-catalog>

All students must attend the Final Exam date: May 23, 2017.

Grading:

A total of 260 points are possible in this course. Your final grade will be determined as follows:

Weekly Points	Discussion Paper	Final Project		Total Points Possible
160 (180 minus 20)	30	70		260
A	B	C	D	F
260-234	233-208	207-182	181-156	155-0

Academic Integrity

Academic dishonesty is regarded as any act of deception, benign or malicious in nature, in the completion of any academic exercise. Examples of academic dishonesty include cheating, plagiarism, impersonation, misrepresentation of idea or fact for the purpose of defrauding, use of unauthorized aids or devices, falsifying attendance records, violation of testing protocol, inappropriate course assignment collaboration, and any other acts that are prohibited by the instructor of record.

Electronic devices may be used in class provided that students are using them for academic purposes. If a student is found to be using devices in class inappropriately, or in a manner that is disruptive to other students, that privilege will be removed from the student for the remainder of the semester. No electronic devices are allowed during exams or quizzes.

Please review the complete policy on Academic Integrity and Student Responsibility at the following link:

<https://studentlife.santarosa.edu/academic-integrity>

Disability Resources

If you need disability related accommodations, please provide the Authorization for Academic Accommodations Letter to the instructor as soon as possible. For more information about services available to SRJC students with disabilities, contact Disability Resource Center or call them at (707) 778-2491.

WEEKLY TOPICS, ASSIGNED READINGS & POINTS

DATE	WEEK #	TOPIC	ASSIGNED READING	POINTS
January 17, 2017	1	Course Introduction; Introduction to Sociology		
January 24, 2017	2	The Study of Sociology:		
January 31, 2017	3	The Study of Sociology:/Culture and Society	Part 1: 1: 3-12 2: 13-18	Reading Quiz 1 (20 points)
February 7, 2017	4	Culture and Society	Part 1: 5: 34-52 6: 53-58 8: 66-77 Part 6: 36::368-375	Cultural Item and Analysis (in class assignment) (20 points)
February 14, 2017 <3 <3 <3	5	Culture and Society	Part 2: 10: 85-89 11: 90-100 12: 101-113 13: 114-117	Reading Quiz 2: Open Book (20 points)
February 21, 2017	6	Growing Up Social	Part 3: 14: 121-136 15: 137-146 16: 147-153	
February 28, 2017	7	Social Interaction & Identity	Part 4: 18: 169-179 21: 214-227 22: 228-237	Reading Quiz 3 (20 points)
March 7, 2017	8	Social Inequality & Labor	Part 5: 23: 241-254 24: 255-264 26: 276-284	Equity Awareness (in class assignment) (20 points)
March 14, 2017	9	Social Inequality & Labor	Part 5: 28: 295-303 29: 304-311	

March 21, 2017		SPRING BREAK NO CLASS		
March 28, 2017	10	Social Inequality & Labor	Part 5: 30: 312-324	Snap Challenge Due (20 points)
April 4, 2017	11	Social Control	Part 6: 32: 331-336 33: 337-343 34:344-361	Reading Quiz 4 (20 points)
April 11, 2017	12	Social Institutions	Part 1: 9: 78-82 Part 7: 38: 383-393 39: 394-401	
April 18, 2017	14	Work Day		Free Day to Work on Paper/Presentation (attendance optional)
April 25, 2017	13	Social Institutions	Part 7: 42: 414-428 44: 436-441	Social Control Assignment Due (20 points)
May 2, 2017	15	Social Change	Part 8: 46: 453-464 49: 483-492	Discussion Paper Due (Coates or Taylor) via Turnitin
May 9, 2017	16	Group Presentations (4)	Part 8: 51:500-516	GROUP PROJECT PAPER DUE
May 16, 2017	17	Group Presentations (4)		Reading Quiz 5 (20 points)
May 23, 2017	18	Final Exam: Group Presentations (4)		Complete Group Evaluations Attendance is mandatory.