

COLLEGEWIDE COURSE OUTLINE OF RECORD

SOCI 111, INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY

COURSE TITLE: Introduction to Sociology

COURSE NUMBER: SOCI 111

PREREQUISITES: Demonstrated competency through appropriate assessment or earning a grade of "C" or better in ENGL 093 Introduction to College Writing and ENGL 083 Reading Strategies for College or ENGL 095 Integrated Reading and Writing

SCHOOL: Liberal Arts and Sciences

PROGRAM: Liberal Arts

CREDIT HOURS: 3

CONTACT HOURS: Lecture: 3

DATE OF LAST REVISION: Fall, 2014

EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS REVISION: Fall, 2015

CATALOG DESCRIPTION: Introduces students to the major theoretical paradigms of the science of human society, including fundamental concepts, descriptions, and analyses of society, culture, socialization processes, social institutions, social change, social stratification and the application of this understanding to everyday living.

MAJOR COURSE LEARNING OBJECTIVES: Upon successful completion of this course the student will be expected to:

1. Define sociology and explain the three major theoretical paradigms: structural-functional, conflict, and symbolic interactionist.
2. Identify and understand the contributions of theorists such as Comte, Marx, Durkheim, Spencer, Weber, Cooley, and Mead.
3. Illustrate the relationships between theory and research, social science research methods, hypothesis testing, and concepts of validity and reliability.
4. Describe the principal social research methods including the experiment, survey, and participant observation.
5. Develop the skills necessary to read figures, such as tables, charts, graphs, and diagrams.
6. Define and describe such sociological terms as society, culture, socialization, groups, deviance, institutions (e.g. religion, family, education, work, political), social movements, demographics (age, gender, race, ethnicity), social change and social stratification.
7. Describe the processes of socialization, the formation of social structure, and assess the social construction of reality from a multi-cultural perspective.
8. Describe sociological concepts and their application to everyday living--ways that these concepts facilitate meeting life's daily challenges.
9. Identify primary institutions and examine how interactions within and between institutions affect our daily lives.
10. Examine and explore contemporary issues such as diversity, racism, sexism, ageism, classism, technology, and society.
11. Examine the impacts of social change on social institutions.

COURSE CONTENT: Topical areas of study include –

Social change	Social institutions
Social movements	Demographics
Society	Structural-functionalist, conflict, and symbolic interactionist
Culture	Social stratification
Socialization	Sociological research and theory
Groups'	Contemporary sociological issues
Deviance	Theoretical paradigms

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