Oxford College of Emory University

Soc. 101 Introduction to Sociology

Syllabus

Seney, 215 M, W, F 9:05-9:55 Fall 1992

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M, T, Th 2-3 and by appointment

COURSE OBJECTIVES

The purpose of this course is to introduce students to the basic concepts of sociology. The course covers a wide range of topics and will be conducted in a lecture/discussion format. In addition, students will be encouraged to critically analyze the sociological approaches and theories explored in the readings and lectures. Accordingly, after attaining some mastery of the terms and concepts of sociology, students will be challenged to apply what they have learned to various situations.

TEXTS:

Robertson: SOCIOLOGY, 3rd Ed. (Worth)

Robertson, Ed.: THE SOCIAL WORLD, 3rd Ed. (Worth)
Howery: DISCOVERING SOCIOLOGY, A STUDENT GUIDE (Worth)

COURSE REQUIREMENTS:

Three announced tests will be given during the course of the semester. These tests will be given during regular class periods and will count for a total of 45% of the student's final grade. Any unexcused absence from a test will result in a grade of zero for that test. The scheduled dates for these tests are September 16, October 9, and November 11. A comprehensive final examination is scheduled for 9:00-12:00 a.m. on December 7, 1991. The final exam will count for 25% of the student's final grade. In addition, there will be not fewer than five unannounced quizzes given during the course of the semester. The average on these quiz grades will count for 25% of the student's final grade. These quizzes may be given on any scheduled class day. The remaining 5% of the student's final grade will be based upon the quality of that student's participation in class discussion. All examinations, tests, and quizzes are cumulative. The requirements listed above are comprehensive and inclusive—no "extra credit" will be allowed.

MAKE-UP WORK:

An unexcused absence from any quiz, test or examination will result in the grade of zero for that quiz, test or examination.



ATTENDANCE:

Students are expected to attend class on a regular basis. Students are also expected to arrive for class on time. Students who are not in class are unable to participate in discussion and take quizzes. In addition, students who miss more than four classes will lose the benefit of the doubt in the calculation of his or her final grade. Two points will be deducted from the course average for each absence in excess of six. Students who accumulate an excessive number of absences may be dropped from the course with a grade of WF (where appropriate).

HONOR CODE:

It is assumed that all students are aware of the Honor Code. The Honor Code is always in force!

ASSIGNMENTS:

A tentative outline of the class schedule for the entire semester is attached. Unless otherwise notified in class (or noted on the outline), students should complete the reading assignments for each chapter by the first day scheduled for discussion of the topic on the outline. For the purposes of quizzes, students are expected to have completed all readings by the first day they are due.

GRADES:

Oxford College's Optional Plus-Minus Grading Scale (as described on page 34 of the <u>Catalog</u> of Oxford College) will be used in determining grades for this class.

THE COURSE SYLLABUS PROVIDES A GENERAL PLAN FOR THE COURSE;
DEVIATIONS MAY BE NECESSARY.

Outline of the Class Schedule

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Introduction
Aug. 24:
                          SOCIOLOGY, Ch. 1; THE SOCIAL WORLD (TSW), pp. 1-6 (Mills); TSW, pp. 7-10 (Berger & Berger)
Aug. 26, 28, 31:
                          SOCIOLOGY, Ch. 2 & 3; TSW, pp. 21-25 (Harris)
Sept. 2, 4, 9:
                          Labor Day. NO CLASS.
[Sept. 7:
                          SOCIOLOGY, Ch. 4 TSW, pp. 51-55 (Fried1)-
Sept. 11, 14:
                           TEST I
Sept. 16:
                           SOCIOLOGY, Ch. 5 & 6; TSW, pp. 40-44 (McCoy);
Sept. 18, 21, 23:
                           TSW, pp. 49-55 (Gracey)
                           SOCIOLOGY, Ch. 7; TSW, pp. 79-85 (Gornick)
Sept. 25, 28:
                           SOCIOLOGY, Ch. 8; TSW, pp. 106-115 (Rosenhan)
Sept. 30; Oct. 2:
                           SOCIOLOGY, Ch. 10; TSW, pp. 138-141 (Gans)
Oct. 5, 7:
                           TEST II
Oct. 9:
                           Fall Break. NO CLASS.]
[Oct. 12:
                           SOCIOLOGY, Ch. 11 & 12; TSW, pp. 142-152 (Brandt);
Oct. 14, 16, 19, 21:
                           TSW, pp. 164-166 (Sadker & Sadker).
                           SOCIOLOGY, Ch. 13 & 14; TSW, pp. 220-222 (Garfinkel)
 Oct. 23, 26, 28, 30:
                           SOCIOLOGY, Ch. 15
 Nov. 2, 4:
                           SOCIOLOGY, Ch. 16
 Nov. 6, 9:
                           TEST III
 Nov. 11:
                            SOCIOLOGY, Ch. 17 & 18
 Nov. 13, 16, 18:
                            SOCIOLOGY, Ch. 19; TSW, pp. 256-259 (Turnbull)
 Nov. 20, 23:
                            Thanksgiving Recess. NO CLASS]
 [Nov. 25, 27:
                            SOCIOLOGY, Ch. 20
 NOV. 30; Dec. 2:
                            Summary & Conclusion
 Dec. 4:
                            Final Examination (9:00-12:00)
 Dec. 7:
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