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SOC 102 Introduction to Sociology II

Winter 2024

Course Credits: 4

Contact Hours: 56 hours

Instructor: TBA

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COURSE OBJECTIVES

Following the course SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology I, this course continue introducing students the basic discipline of sociology and how the contemporary society works. Topics include the development of sociology, scientific methods, ethics of research, education, culture, language, religion, gender, norms and values, crime, poverty, socialization, social interaction, social structure, social control, social mobility, economy and environmental issues. Students will be guided to explore how the contemporary society works and what methods social scientists can be used in social research.

Upon Completion of this Course, students will be able to:

1. Understand the basic concepts and theories of sociology;
2. Define sociology from a scientific perspective;
3. Discuss how sociological researches are performed;
4. Describe the basic social structure of current society and identify some social problems.

PREREQUISITES

SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology I

GRADING

Grades will be determined by accumulating points, with 100 points being the maximum, as follows:



ITEM	POINTS
2 Assignments	20 Points
2 Quizzes	20 Points
Midterm Exam	25 Points
Final Exam	35 Points
Total	100 Points

Late submissions will be graded at the end of the course. Grades will be assigned according to the following rule:

$A \geq 90 > B \geq 80 > C \geq 70 > D \geq 60 > F$.

We reserve the right to make adjustments to the overall grading policy.

COURSE MATERIALS

Required Texts:

Richard T. Schaefer, *Sociology: A brief Introduction*, 10th Edition, McGraw-Hill Press, 2013.

Recommended (Optional) Texts or Other Materials:

None

COURSE TOPICS

MODULE	TASKS
Module 1	Topics: Topic 1: The Global Divide Topic 2: Stratification in the World System Topic 3: Minority, Racial, and Ethnic Groups Topic 4: Prejudice and Discrimination Assessments: Assignment #1
Module 2	Topics: Topic 5: Sociological Perspectives on Race and Ethnicity Topic 6: Spectrum of Intergroup Relations Topic 7: Race and Ethnicity Topic 8: Social Construction of Gender Assessments: Quiz #1



Module 3	Topics: Topic 9: Sociological Perspectives on Gender Topic 10: Women: The Oppressed Majority Topic 11: Women in the Workforce of the United States Topic 12: Emergence of a Collective Consciousness Assessments: Assignment #2 Midterm Exam
Module 4	Topics: Topic 13: Global View of the Family Topic 14: Marriage and Family Topic 15: Divorce, Diverse Lifestyles Topic 16: Sociological Perspectives on Education Assessments: Quiz #2
Module 5	Topics: Topic 17: Sociological Perspectives on Religion Topic 18: Sociological Perspectives on Health and Illness Topic 19: Environmental Issues Topic 20: Social Change in the Global Community Assessments: Final Exam

ATTENDANCE

1) Class attendance is required. Missing classes without permission will lead to decrease in overall grade.

Missing less than two classes: no penalty.

Missing more than two classes: 7% will be taken off from the overall grade.

If the instructor reports a student's frequent missing of class to the Soochow University Academic Administration Office, the student might get a written warning and might be prohibited from attending final exam.

2) Participants in this course are expected to arrive in class promptly and adequately prepared. The primary objective of this course is to critically engage with the readings and the subject matter. Therefore, course participants are expected to have completed the reading prior to class and prepare thoughtful reflections/commentaries to share with fellow colleagues.



LEARNING REQUIREMENTS

- 1) Late assignments are not acceptable and are subjected to grade deductions.
- 2) Assignments submitted in the wrong format will be counted as not submitted.
- 3) Failure to submit or fulfill any required course component results in failure of the class.
- 4) Make-up for midterm and final exams only with valid excuses, as defined by the University.
- 5) In order to earn a Certificate of Completion, participants must thoughtfully complete all assignments by stated deadlines and earn an average quiz score of 50% or greater.

TECHNOLOGY POLICY

The use of electronic devices in class is distracting, both for the user and for the rest of the class. Only non-programmable calculators can be used in the tests and exam. Any attempts to use cell phones and other electronic communication devices will be seemed as cheating. Laptops are discouraged, unless you use them for activities DIRECTLY related to the course (eg., note taking, reading course documents).

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY POLICY

Soochow University highly values the academic integrity and aims to promote the academic fairness, honesty and responsibility. Any academic dishonesty behaviors and any attempts to cheats and plagiarism will be reported to the university administration office. A written warning and the relevant penalties will be imposed. The record might be shown on the official university transcript.

DISABILITY ACCOMMODATION

Soochow University is committed to maintaining a barrier-free environment so that students with disabilities can fully access programs, courses, services, and activities at Soochow University. Students with disabilities who require accommodations for access to and/or participation in this course are welcome.

Note:

Please contact the University Administrative Office immediately if you have a



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learning disability, a medical issue, or any other type of problem that prevents professors from seeing you have learned the course material.