UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT EL PASO
FALL 2017
INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY
SOCI 1301-002   CRN 13929
MW 3pm – 4:20pm
PSYCH 115

INSTRUCTOR INFORMATION:

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YOUR ANSWER WILL LIKELY BE FOUND HERE.

REQUIRED TEXT & SUPPLIES:

SCANTRON Form No. 882-E for exams (3)

CLASS FOCUS: INSTRUCTOR’S OVERVIEW OF THE CLASS:

This course is designed to introduce you to the basic concepts sociologists use to analyze various aspects of social life, including social theory, research methods, culture, social institutions, social interaction and social change. The goal is to give you the tools that will allow you to view the world and your own life through a sociological lens and to begin to think critically about the relationship between individuals (especially yourself) and society.

Course Goals and Learning Outcomes

1. The student will demonstrate an understanding of the basic content in sociology.
2. The student will demonstrate the ability to apply the scientific method of sociology.
3. The student will demonstrate an understanding of the broad implications of culture.
4. The student will demonstrate an understanding of the social structures of society.
5. The student will explain the various theories of socialization.
6. The student will demonstrate an understanding of the causes of and methods to control deviant behavior.
7. The student will demonstrate an understanding of the concept and theories of social stratification.
8. The student will demonstrate an understanding of different forms of social inequality in society.
9. The student will demonstrate an understanding of social institutions and their functions in society.
CLASS REQUIREMENTS & POLICIES:

ADA Statement on Discrimination and Disability Support Services:

If you have a disability and need classroom accommodations, please contact The Center for Accommodations and Support Services (CASS) at 747-5148, or by email to cass@utep.edu, or visit their office located in UTEP Union East, Room 106. For additional information, please visit the CASS website at www.sa.utep.edu/cass. CASS’ Staff are the only individuals who can validate and if need be, authorize accommodations for students with disabilities.

ATTENDANCE:

You should make an effort to ATTEND EVERY CLASS. Arriving prepared and participating in discussions and group or individual work will contribute to your success in this class. Please arrive on time and remain until I dismiss you. It is up to you to be in class when work is assigned and collected. Please understand that assignments due at the beginning of class must be submitted by 3:00.00pm, and must be submitted by you. There is no “grace period”, if you arrive late (after 3:00.01pm) it is highly unlikely your work will be accepted. Students who submit work then leave before class ends will be considered absent and will not receive credit for the assignment.

All absences will be considered unexcused; there is no need for you to provide evidence to explain your absence. Except where UTEP policy dictates otherwise, make-ups will not be allowed for any work missed during your absence. Students who arrive late during an exam must complete the exam during the time allowed for all. Students who arrive after the first exam has been turned in will not be allowed to take the exam.

CLASSROOM ETIQUETTE & POLICIES:

Please refer to the UTEP Handbook of Operating Procedures for information about conduct, appeals, student’s rights and responsibilities.

You are advised that materials to be discussed in class might be, to some, offensive or controversial. I expect that we will conduct ourselves as adults and with respect for differences of opinions and with respect for ourselves and fellow class members. I reserve the right to dismiss students who are disrupting class in any form. Eating, talking out of turn or to your neighbor instead of adding to discussion, packing to leave before you are dismissed, and sending/reading text messages during class are some examples of disruptive behavior that may result in you being dismissed from class. Continued instances of any disruptive, disorderly or disrespectful behavior may result in further action including the student being dropped from the course.
Audio/video recordings are not allowed during class. 

Academic dishonesty in any form will neither be tolerated or ignored and will be referred to the Dean of Students for disciplinary action.

Electronic devices should be turned off or placed on silent and kept out of sight at all times during class. **Phones must be turned off during all exams. Phone use or interruptions of any form (ringing, alarms, alerts, incoming text alerts etc…) during an exam may result in a grade of zero.** I reserve the right to answer your phone should it ring during class.

You are expected to arrive prepared for each class with the necessary tools for your success, especially during examinations. It is your responsibility to have scantron, pencil, eraser, etc… and I will not tolerate any disruptions by you seeking those items from classmates who are prepared.

**GRADING CRITERIA:**

Your Final Course Grade will be assigned on a 1000 point scale as follows:

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895 – 1000 \text{ pts} &= \text{A} \\
795 – 894 \text{ pts} &= \text{B} \\
695 – 794 \text{ pts} &= \text{C} \\
600 – 694 \text{ pts} &= \text{D} \\
<600 \text{ pts} &= \text{F}
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YOUR FINAL GRADE WILL RESULT FROM POINTS YOU EARN ON:

A.) Chapter Quiz (10 of 11) 

25 pts each 

Total 250 pts

Chapter quizzes will be completed online within Blackboard. Quizzes must be submitted before 11:59pm on Tuesday night of the week the chapter is discussed. Each quiz will consist of 20 randomly selected true/false and multiple-choice questions. You will have only one (1) attempt and thirty (30) minutes to complete each quiz.

Quizzes for each chapter will be found by clicking on the QUIZ tab on the left side of the course page in Blackboard. Only when you are ready to complete the quiz should you access it. Once you begin a quiz the system will consider that your attempt whether or not you submit it. You will have only one attempt per quiz and 30 minutes to complete it. Please keep in mind that although you will have a set amount of time to take the quiz, it will "turn off" or deactivate at the specified time indicated. For example: All quizzes should be submitted before 11:59pm, are considered late as of 11:59.01pm, and will close at midnight. If you log on to take the quiz at 11:45 PM you will have less than fifteen minutes to take the quiz. Pay close attention to the due dates for each quiz. 

**The lowest one (1) quiz grade is dropped.**
B.) In-Class Activities & Assignments Varied pts Total 200 pts
Individual and/or group in class and homework activities will be assigned throughout the course to enhance our learning experience. Specific instructions will be provided for each activity.

C.) Exams (3 of 4) 100 pts each Total 300 pts
Exams 1 – 3 will consist of 50 multiple-choice and true/false questions. The comprehensive final exam 4 will consist of 100 multiple-choice and true/false questions.

The lowest one (1) exam grade is dropped.

D.) Sociology Matters (10 of 11) 25 pts each Total 250 pts
These assignments, SM1 – SM11, will be due by 2:45pm on the due dates listed in your syllabus course organizer & outline. Click on the “SOCIIOLOGY MATTERS” tab within our course in Blackboard to access these instructions and submit each.
Specific instructions are provided below. The lowest one (1) SM grade is dropped.

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***Your final grade in the course will be based on points earned, not a percentage.***

***Lowest grades are dropped from the beginning, not at the end, of the course.***

Make-Up and/or Late Work & Extra Credit:

No exceptions will be made for the times or dates work is assigned or due. You will not be allowed to make up any missed work or exams. Note that the lowest one (1) grade for chapter quizzes, sociology matters assignments, and exams will be dropped and will not affect your final course grade. Extra credit will not be offered in this course.

Exceptions, although unlikely, to any policy will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

IMPORTANT CLASS DATES:

FALL 2017
28 Aug 17 Classes Begin
04 Sept 17 Labor Day Holiday
13 Sept 17 Census Date
03 Nov 17 Course Drop/Withdrawal Deadline
23 -24 Nov Thanksgiving Day Holiday
07 Dec 17 Last Day of Classes
11 Dec 17 Final Exam

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# DAILY CLASS ASSIGNMENTS:
Course Organizer & Outline

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