Sociology Through Film

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Sociology and You

The Course:

Sociology is an elective course, which studies human behavior in group situations. Its focus is on the dynamics of group behavior and the interaction of individuals in groups. This course acquaints students with the basic sociological theories and tools of analysis and shows their relationship to other behavioral science disciplines such as anthropology and psychology. Social stratification, sexism, ageism, racism, and other social issues will be considered. The class will examine the effect of social structure, practices, and institutions upon the individual in everyday life through the use of films, articles, in-class and group assignments.

Course Schedule:
Chapter 1 - An Invitation to Sociology
    pages 4-29
Chapter 2 - Sociologists Doing Research
    pages 36-61

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Chapter 11 - The Family
    pages 346-380
Chapter 3 - Culture
    pages 70-102

*TEST*

Chapter 4 - Socialization
    pages 108-132

Chapter 5 - Social Structure and Society
    pages 138-163

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Chapter 6 – Groups and Formal Organizations  
   pages 170-196  
Chapter 7 – Deviance and Social Control  
   pages 202-232  

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Chapter 8 – Social Stratification  
   pages 240-268  
Chapter 9 – Inequalities of Race and Ethnicity  
   pages 274-301  

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Chapter 10 – Inequalities of Gender and Age  
   pages 308-338  
Chapter 12 – Education  
   pages 386-413  

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Chapter 13 – Political and Economic Institutions  
   pages 422-456  
Chapter 15 – Sport  
   pages 494-518  

*FINAL*  

GRADING:  
Tests 60%  
Daily/Quizzes/Notebook 40%  
100%  

Required Materials:  
   • book  
   • writing utensil
Attendance/Tardy: I realize that at times we become ill and it is not possible to attend class...however...you should make every effort to be here. Refer to the attendance policy in the student handbook and be familiar with the procedure for making up work. Please remember...if you are tardy 3 times...this will be counted as one absence.

Quizzes: You will be taking weekly vocabulary/material presented quizzes. Quizzes will be calculated as part of the quizzes/daily 40% category. If you should miss a quiz, follow the guidelines in the student handbook.

Tests: Tests will/may be a combination of multiple choice, true and false, short answer, or essay. Tests are worth 60% of your grade. Please be prepared for each test...do not wait until the last minute to study! If you should miss a test, again, refer to the student handbook.

Late Work: assignments not turned in on a given date...will be given a 70 if turned in after the due date up to one class meeting after original due date

Honor Code: The Honor Code for Academic Dishonesty...as stated in the handbook...is interpreted and enforced in Sociology. Cheating or dishonesty will not be tolerated. Read and make yourself aware of the Honor Code.

Support: Should either you or your parent/guardian have a concern, or question, do not hesitate to contact me. I am available during my conference period and can also arrange other times to meet if need be.

Expectations: I expect the following from students attending class:
   • please be on time
   • please respect yourself and others
• please be here – physically and mentally
• please be responsible