

THE UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY

COURSE OUTLINE

SOCIOLOGY 201.01 WINTER 2016
INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY

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T02 Tu 15:30-16:20 EDC 284
T03 Tu 16:30-17:20 EDC 287
T04 Tu 16:30-17:20 EDC 284
T05 Th 15:30-16:20 SS 541 (location subject to change)
T06 Th 15:30-16:20 EDC 287
T07 Th 15:30-16:20 EDC 284
T08 Th 16:30-17:20 EDC 287
T09 Th 16:30-17:20 EDC 284
- REQUIRED TEXTBOOK: John J. Macionis and Linda M. Gerber. *Sociology*. Custom Edition for the University of Calgary, SOCI 201, V. A. Haines. Pearson Canada, Inc.
NOTE: This textbook is packaged (at no extra cost) with MySocLab. Individual students may choose to use MySocLab but its use in SOCI 201.01 is optional
- MARK DISTRIBUTION: A. Composition of Final Grade
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| Examination One (February 2) | 25% |
| Examination Two (March 10) | 35% |
| Final Examination | 40% |
- B. Examination One and Examination Two
- Examination One and Examination Two will be written during scheduled lecture periods.
- C. Final Examination
There will be a two-hour final examination scheduled by the Registrar's Office.

LETTER GRADE CONVERSIONS:

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| A+ | 90% or > |
| A | 85-89% |
| A- | 80-84% |
| B+ | 77-79% |
| B | 73-76% |
| B- | 70-72% |
| C+ | 67-69% |
| C | 63-66% |
| C- | 60-62% |
| D+ | 55-59% |
| D | 50-54% |
| F | 49% or < |

Fractions of 0.5% or higher are rounded up.

COURSE OBJECTIVES/LEARNING OUTCOMES

The objective of this course is to introduce the basic subject matter and research findings of sociology. After completing this course, students will be familiar with conceptual and methodological tools that allow us to think sociologically. They will know the ways in which Canadian society is stratified and be able to link these forms of structured inequality to global patterns of stratification. They will understand how thinking sociologically can inform choices we make in everyday life and in policy debates.

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Part I provides an overview of major theoretical approaches in sociology, research methods that sociologists use and key concepts that structure our analyses of seven areas of sociological research. Part II uses the process of socialization to explore insights from microsociologies. Part III addresses structured inequality by examining class and stratification, gender and stratification, race, ethnicity and stratification, and aging and stratification. Urban sociology and community studies are discussed in Part IV. Part V examines the sociology of social change.

LECTURE OUTLINE AND REQUIRED READING

The following is a brief summary of the dates when the major topics will be covered and the topic-specific readings from *Sociology*. Custom Edition for the University of Calgary, SOCI 201, V. A. Haines. Minor departures from this outline should be expected.

PART I: THINKING SOCIOLOGICALLY

Sociological Theories and Methods (Jan. 12-26)

Chapter 1:2-27; Chapter 4:86, 92-102, 106-107; Chapter 6:137-141
Chapter 2:28-55

Key Concepts (Jan. 28)

Chapter 3:56-72, 74-77, 79-83; Chapter 6:134-137

PART II: MICROSOCIOLOGY

Socialization Through the Life Course (Jan. 28-Feb. 4)

Chapter 5:108-131; Chapter 13:314-318

PART III: STRUCTURED INEQUALITY

Class and Stratification (Feb. 9-23)

Chapter 7:154-175; Chapter 8:176-201
Chapter 13:312-314, 317-326, 329, 332-333

Gender and Stratification (Feb. 23-Mar. 3)

Chapter 10:228-255

Race, Ethnicity and Stratification (Mar. 8-15)

Chapter 3:70-74; Chapter 11:256-283

Aging and Stratification (Mar. 17-24)

Chapter 14:336-340, 342; Chapter 12:284-307

PART IV. URBAN SOCIOLOGY AND COMMUNITY STUDIES

Communities and Urbanization (Mar. 29-31)

Chapter 14:344-351, 358, 362-363

PART V. THE SOCIOLOGY OF SOCIAL CHANGE

Globalization, Theories of Social Change and Social Movements as Agents of Change (Apr. 5-Apr. 12)

Chapter 3:76
Chapter 15:364-387; Chapter 4:86-91, 98-99, 100-103
Chapter 9:202-227

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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Required reading should be completed before each class.

All examinations will be cumulative. Examinations will cover material that is presented in the lectures and required readings.

Handing in Papers, Assignments

1. The main Sociology Department office does not deal with any course-related matters. Please speak directly to your instructor.
2. **Protection of Privacy:** The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIPP) legislation does not allow students to retrieve any course material from public places. Anything that requires handing back will be returned directly during class or office hours. If students are unable to pick up their assignments from the instructor, they provide the instructor with a stamped, self-addressed envelope to be used for the return of the assignment.
3. Final grades are not posted by the Sociology Department. They are only available online.

Ethics Research

Students are advised that any research with human subjects – including any interviewing (even with friends and family), opinion polling, or unobtrusive observation – must have the approval of the Faculty Ethics Committee. In completing course requirements, students must not undertake any human subjects research without discussing their plans with the instructor, to determine if ethics approval is required.

Academic Misconduct

Please refer to the website listed below for information on University of Calgary policies on Plagiarism/Cheating/Other Academic Misconduct:

<http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k-2-1.html>

Deferrals

When possible, please provide advance notice if you are unable to write an exam or complete/turn-in assignments on time. All requests for deferral of a course component due to health reasons must be accompanied by written documentation as outlined in the University Calendar and should be obtained while the student has the health issue rather than after recovery. Deferrals will be allowed in the following circumstances: illness, domestic affliction or religious conviction. Travel arrangements, misreading the syllabus, and scheduling conflicts with other classes or employment are not valid reasons for requesting a deferral. Deferrals will not be granted if it is determined that just cause is not shown by the student.

If you have missed a test for a legitimate reason, the instructor can require you to write a “make up” test as close in time to the original test as possible or can choose to transfer the percentage weight to another course component. If the instructor schedules a “make up” test for you, its date and location will be at the convenience of the Department of

Sociology. If you have missed a test for a legitimate reason, the instructor will transfer the percentage weight to another course component. **NOTE: There are no “make up” tests for Examination One or Examination Two.** The percentage weight of a missed examination will be transferred to the other course components.

Deferred Final Exam Form: Please note that requests to defer a Registrar scheduled final exam are dealt with through the Registrar’s Office. Further information about deadlines, and where paperwork should be taken, is available on the form, which can be found at: http://www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/files/registrar/Sp_Su_DFE_App.pdf

Deferred Term Work Form: Deferral of term work past the end of a term also requires a form to be filled out. It’s available at <http://www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/files/registrar/defTW.pdf>

Once an extension date has been agreed between instructor and student, the form should be taken to the Faculty of Arts Program Information Centre (SS 110) for approval by an Associate Dean (Students).

Student Representation

The 2015-16 Students’ Union VP Academic is Stephan Guscott: email: suvpaca@ucalgary.ca. The Faculty of Arts has four SU representatives who may be contacted at any of the following email addresses: arts1@ucalgary.ca, arts2@ucalgary.ca, arts3@ucalgary.ca, and arts4@ucalgary.ca. You may also wish to contact the Student Ombudsperson for help with a variety of University-related matters: <http://www.ucalgary.ca/provost/students/ombuds/role>

Emergency Evacuations

In the case of fire or other emergency evacuation of this classroom, please proceed to the assembly point at Professional Faculties – Food Court.

Safewalk

The University of Calgary provides a “safe walk” service to any location on Campus, including the LRT, parking lots, bus zones, and campus housing. For Campus Security/Safewalk call 220-5333. Campus Security can also be contacted from any of the “Help” phones located around Campus.

Academic Accommodation

Students seeking an accommodation based on disability or medical concerns should contact Student Accessibility Services; SAS will process the request and issue letters of accommodation to instructors. For additional information on support services and accommodations for students with disabilities, visit www.ucalgary.ca/access/.

Students who require an accommodation in relation to their coursework based on a protected ground other than disability should communicate this need in writing to their Instructor. The full policy on Student Accommodations is available at http://www.ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/student-accommodation-policy_0.pdf