Sociology 1,section 0431 Introduction to Sociology Fall 2013 (8/26-12/08)
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Response in 24 hours or less and 48 hours on the weekend (Friday 6pm-Monday 9am)
Class website-www.myetudes.org
SKYPE-skyping office hours available by appointment only
Office Location: online appointments only

Required Textbook: Society in Focus- Thompson and Hickey 7th edition-Available at the Mission College bookstore $61.LAMC bookstore The bookstore is at http://eagleslanding.lamission.edu/ and you can order online.

Student Learning Outcomes: Upon completion of this class, a student will be able to

1 Assess and describe the three sociological theories and how they impact sociological research.

2. Utilize a research design to complete social research and analyze the data to come to a sociological conclusion.

3. Define a social problem they have experienced and discuss solutions to reduce, educate, or eliminate such problems in society.

Instructions to login to our class website on ETUDES

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Step 1: If new to Etudes, please complete orientation video
http://usdegreeonline.wlac.edu/pages/129.asp
Step 2: Log in at https://myetudes.org/portal (save it as your favorite on your browser)
Step 3: Your login name is your student id example: 881234567 (no spaces or dashes)
Step 4: Then your password is your **Month and Day** of your birthday. For example: if you were born on Jan 14 than your password is "0114".
Step 5: Click on the TOP Tab for this class, listed as "**LAMC SOC 001 0431 VLayne F13**"
Step 6: If you are interested in purchasing the Etextbook version of the book, see "Announcements" when inside the course website.
Step 7: Its best to change your password later, by clicking on "my account"
For additional assistance, please visit http://www.lamission.edu/online/ or Call Help Desk 818-415-2015

Students who do not log into the class website by September 3 will be dropped to accommodate students on the class waiting list.

Keep up with your grades on our class website anytime under "gradebook".

Textbook Readings: Before you read a chapter, take the optional "Pre-Test" then read the

chapter and complete the optional "Post-Test" and it will let you know what parts of the chapter you need to review before taking the Chapter Exam. This is completely "OPTIONAL." So use these tools and see how it helps you succeed in the class. **Please note:** If you read a chapter a week, THEN take the actual exam, you should do much better than waiting to the last minute.
Chapter exams- (260 pts) You will have 20 minutes to complete 20 multiple choice questions for each exam. You must abide by that time restriction or points will be deducted. You will not have time to use notes or your book during your test. The exams are located in each chapter unit and will disappear once the deadline has passed. Please use a reliable internet connection for your test so your computer doesn't CRASH on you.
Discussion Boards-(DB 60 pts) require you to POST (write) a minimum of 2 paragraphs. Please remember that everyone can read your comments, so do not post anything private. Think of it as an open classroom discussion with rules of conduct to follow such as being respectful, no bad words, college essay writing. These are not TEXTS, therefore full words need to be used, as well as proper grammar and punctuation.
DROP BOX-Essays-(150 pts) Use the following steps to turn in essay assignments.They must be submitted in WORD files. It's best to save your files as .doc or .docx
1. Click on the **Dropbox** tab at the top of the page. And Click the blue **Submit Assignment** link.
2. Choose the applicable basket from the drop-down and Click **Add/Remove** to add an attachment.
3. Follow the steps displayed to attach your file then Click **OK**. When you are returned to the *Submit Assignments page, click **Submit**.
4. You will see your work has been added to my **Inbox and will be in YOUR OUTBOX**. If it's not listed then you need to reattach your file. Remember to use WORD documents.

Grading Standards: 500 points possible-

A= 450-500, B=400-449, C=350-399, D=300-349, F=299 and below.

Extra Credit- Extra credit is available for a maximum of 20 points for the semester on our class website.

PRINT THIS SCHEDULE BELOW- Highlight completed assignments to stay ahead and organized

Weekly Web Assignments: Work can be done EARLY but never late!! Plan your semester!!
Assign. #1: Due Sun. 9/1 by 9pm- POST Autobiography/Email Etiquette DB in Discussion boards (10 pts)

Assign. #2: Due Sun 9/1 by 9pm – POST How to Survive Online Class DB in Discussion Boards (10 pts)

Assign. #3: Due Thurs. 9/05 by 9pm – Complete Ch. 1 Exam – click on Assignments (20 pts)

Assign. #4: Due Sun 9/08 by 9pm – Complete Ch. 2 Exam in Assignments (20 pts)

Assign. #5: Due Thurs. 9/12 by 9pm – Complete Census "Assignment" and turn into "Dropbox" (20 pts)

Assign. #6: Due Sun 9/15 by 9pm – Complete Ch. 3 Exam in Assignments (20 pts)

Assign. #7: Due Thurs. 9/19 by 9pm – POST Facebook DB in Discussion Boards (10 pts)

Assign. #8: Due Sun 9/22 by 9pm – Complete Chap. 4 Exam in Assignments (20 pts)

Assign. #9: Due Thurs 9/26 9pm – Chapter 5 exam (20 pts) in Assignments

SKIP CHAPTER 6

Assign #10: Due Sun 9/29 by 9pm- Complete Chapter 7 Exam in Assignments (20 pts)

Assign. #11: Due 10/03 9pm Columbine Mom Discussion Board (10 pts) in Discussion Boards

Assign. #12: Due Sun 10/06 by 9pm – Complete Ch. 8 Exam in Assignments (20 pts)

Assign. #13: Due Thurs 10/10 by 9pm – Ethnographic Research in "assignments (40 pts)

Assign #14: Due Sun 10/13 by 9 pm- Complete Chap 10 Exam in "Chapter 10 in Assignments (20 pts)

Assign. #15: Due Thurs 10/17 by 9pm- Complete Chap. 11 Exam in "Ch. 11 in Assignments (20 pts)

Assign. #16: Due Sun 10/20 by 9pm –Who Needs Marriage DB in Discussion Boards (10 pts)

Assign. #17: Due Thurs 10/24 by 9pm- Complete Chapter 13 Exam in “Assignments (20 pts)

Assign.#18: Due Sun 10/27 by 9pm- Social Issue Paper “Assignments” (40 pts)

Assign. #19: Due Thurs.10/31 by 9pm Complete Chapter 14 Exam in Assignments (20 pts)

Assign. #20: Due Sun. 11/03 by 9pm- Complete Education Video DB in discussion boards (10 pts)

Week of November 04-10 Work on Observation Project/Field Research Assignment

Assign. #21: Due Thurs. Nov.14 by 9pm- Submit Observation Project in Assignments (40 pts)

Assign. #22: Due Sun. Nov.17 by 9pm- Complete Chapter 18 Exam in Assignments (20 pts)

Assign. #23: Due Thurs. 11/21 by 9 pm- Complete Chapter exam 20 in Assignments (20 pts)

WEEK OF NOVEMBER 25-DEC 1 THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY

Assign. #24: Thurs. 12/5 by 9pm- Reaction Paper (20 points) in Assignments

Assign. #25: Sun. 12/8 Final Exit Paper (10 points) in Assignments

LATE WORK WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR ANY ASSIGNMENTS IN THIS CLASS!!! No exceptions!

Helpful Hints: This class requires that you have consistent access to a computer and a strong reliable internet connection. Please use **Microsoft WORD** documents ONLY.

A few handouts are **PDF file**, so you must have **ADOBE** on your computer. You can easily download this program by using google and typing "how to download Adobe for Free".

Stay ahead- if you know you will have some time open, then complete a few of the assignments and submit them. This way, if you get busy with work, families, etc., you have some flexibility and can meet the deadlines. You can always do assignments early, but you can never do them late.

- Please email me in "EMAIL" and **sign your full name** each time and put **SOC1 online** in subject line.

If you need to change e-mail accounts, please update your e-mail in your student portal through LAMC.

- Any communication to the class will be sent directly to your personal email account. If you need to change email accounts, please update your email in "my profile" on our website.

- Grades will be posted under "GRADEBOOK". Use a CALENDAR to stay ahead of your assignments.

- Assignments are due every **Thursday and Sunday night before 9 pm** (California time). Don't wait until 8:45 pm to start your assignments or exams. Procrastination is not a favorable quality in online learning and that is usually when your computer doesn't work.

Cheating: Copying someone else's answers on a discussion thread or parts of their answer is considered cheating and will results in a zero. It may lead to further action, including exclusion from the class. Unauthorized material used during an examination (including electronic devices), changing answers after work has been graded, taking an exam for another student, forging or altering other documents in the course, looking at another student's paper/essay/computer or exam with or without their approval is considered cheating. Any student caught cheating will receive a zero for the assignment/exam and referred to the Department chair and/or Student Services for further disciplinary action.

Plagiarism: Plagiarism is defined as the act of using ideas, words, or work of another person or persons as if they were one's own, without giving proper credit to the original sources. This includes definitions found online on Wikipedia, materials from blogs, twitter, or other similar electronic resources. The following examples are intended to be representative, but not all inclusive:
- failing to give credit by proper citations for others ideas and concepts, data and information, statements and phrases, and/or interpretations and conclusions.
- failing to use quotation marks when quoting directly from another, whether it be a paragraph, a sentence, or a part thereof
- Paraphrasing the expressions or thought by others without appropriate quotation marks or attribution

- Representing another's artistic/scholarly works such as essays, computer programs, photographs, paintings, drawings, sculptures or similar works as one's own.
First offense, you will receive a zero for the assignment in question. Any further offenses may result in expulsion from the class, as determined by the disciplinary action from the Office of Student Services.

Reasonable Accommodations: If you are a student with a disability and require accommodations, please send me a private email. The sooner I am aware of your eligibility for accommodations, the quicker I will be able to assist the DSP&S Office in providing them. For students requiring accommodations, the DSP&S Office at Mission College provides special assistance in areas like: registering for courses, specialized tutoring, note-taking, mobility assistance, special instruction, testing assistance, special equipment, special materials, instructor liaisons, community referrals and job placement. If you have not done so already, you may also wish to contact the DSP&S Office in Instructional Building 1018 (phone 818/364-7732 TTD 818/364-7861) and email me a letter stating the accommodations that are needed.

Student Portal- update email address, view your schedule and grades from past semesters, drop classes, pay for fees, etc. www.lamission.edu "students" then "register for classes" enter "88-------" then PIN (MMDD) birthday- first option 1- update email address.

This syllabus is a guide to use throughout this course and is subject to change at the instructor's discretion. Please do not hesitate to ask for assistance; it is my goal that you succeed in this class. Don't forget to email me anytime you have questions. Enjoy the semester and the field of Sociology!!!
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