

Sociology 1, Introduction to Sociology

Fall 2012 Section # 0435

Monday/Wednesday 9:05-10:30 am, Inst.2001

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Office Location: Instructional Building, Faculty Office #9

Class website: www.lamc.mylabsplus.com (see instructions below)

Required Textbook: Society in Focus- Introduction to Sociology- Thompson, Hickey- 7th Ed. - version with PIN code- PURCHASE ONLY from LAMC Bookstore(\$67 new- \$47 used with PIN code) <http://eagleslanding.lamission.edu/> Library has a copy of this textbook in reserve section.

Required handouts: located on class website, print and bring to class.

Week 1-(8/27) Introductions, class overview, (8/29) chapter 1

Week 2- (9/3) Labor Day- No class (9/5) Chapters 1 and 2

Week 3- (9/10)Chapter 2 **(9/12)Chapter 3****Time Management Due in class (see website) 5 pts**
(Web Ass.# 1 due Sun 9/16 by 9 pm- 10 pts- on class website)

Week 4- (9/17) Chapter 3(9/19) Chapter 4

Week 5- (9/24) Chapter 4 (9/26) Chapter 5 and in class quiz review

Week 6- (10/1) Quiz #1 Chapters 1-5(10/3)Chapter 7

Week 7- (10/8) Observation project due in class(40 pts)Chapter 7, serial killers(10/10)Chapter 8

Week 8- (10/15) Chapter 8 (10/17) Chapter 10

(Web Ass #2 due Sun 10/21 by 9pm- 10 pts)

Week 9- (10/22) Chapter 10 (10/24) Chapter 11

Week 10- (10/29) Chapter 11 (10/31) in class quiz review

Week 11- (11/5) Quiz #2 Chapters 7-8,10-11+ serial killers(11/7) Chapter 12

(Web Ass #3 due Sun 11/11 by 9pm by 10 pts)

Week 12- (11/12)Veterans Day- NO class (11/14) and Chapter 13

Week 13- (11/19) Social Issue Paper due (40 pts)(11/21)Chapter 13

Week 14- (11/26) Chapter 14 (11/28) Chapter 18

(Web Ass #4 due Sun 12/2 by 9 pm- 10 pts)

Week 15- (12/3) Chapters 18, 20 **(12/5) Extra Credit due** Final Review -last day of lecture

(12/10) Final Exam Mon. Dec. 10 at 10AM (Chapters 12-14, 18, 20)

Instructions to login to our class website MYLABSPPLUS/Ecollege

Step 1: Purchase book ONLY from LA Mission Bookstore, comes with PIN code

Step 2: Go to www.lamc.mylabsplus.com (also known as ecollege login page)

1. Your login name is your school id # 88----- no spaces or dashes
2. Then your password is "PASSWORD" all in capitals
3. Then you will see our class "Sociology 1, MW 9:05, Fall 2012, Prof Levy"
4. You will then be asked to enter your PIN code which comes with your textbook
5. Click on "access course". You will only need to do this once.
6. Its best to change your password later, by clicking on "my account"
7. After in putting your PIN code, you will only need your 88# and your password to login.

Any questions, please email me at proflevym@hotmail.com

For IT assistance, please email helpdesk@lamc.mylabsplus.com or call (888) 883-1299

Student Learning Outcomes:

1. Assess and describe the three Sociological Theories and how they impact sociological research.
2. Distinguish between various research designs and the advantages/disadvantages of using those methods in social research.
3. Compare and contrast between social inequality due to gender, race/ethnicity, social class, and its impact on specific social problems.
(Develop a passion for this discipline and find out how SOCIETY plays a huge role in your life)

Exams: (140 points)

Quiz #1 Chapters 1-5 = 50 points

Quiz #2 Chapters 7-8, 10-11= 40 points

Final Exam = Chapters 12-14, 18, 20 = 50 points

Exams cannot be made up without prior approval from instructor. Please plan ahead.

Website Assignments: (40 points) All students are expected to log into the class website and complete assignments about once a month, always on Sunday nights due by 9 pm. Click on "assignments" in website for details.

Assignment #1- due by Sunday by Sept. 16 by 9 pm (10 pts)

Assignment #2- due by Sunday by Oct. 21 by 9 pm (10 pts)

Assignment #3- due by Sunday by Nov. 11 by 9 pm (10 pts)

Assignment #4- due by Sunday by Dec. 2 by 9 pm (10 pts)

Attendance/Participation: (40 points) Since Sociology is the study of people and their behavior, your participation is not only welcomed, but required. Attendance is mandatory in this class and points can be earned for students with 2 absences or less. Students with excessive absences (3 or more) will not earn attendance points and can be excluded from the class. You are responsible for dropping the class through the Admissions Office Online. Please be disciplined about your education and attend consistently. Enrolled students who are absent on the first day of class are subject to being dropped by the instructor.

Observation Project: (40 points) due **Monday Oct. 8-** research project (handout on website)

Social Issue Paper: (40 points) due **Monday, Nov. 19** (handout and sample on class website)

You will choose a social issue that you've had to overcome and write a 3 page paper on your topic.

Extra credit is available for a maximum of 20 points by Wed 12/5 in class. See class website.

Grading Standards:

Time Management = 5 points (on website under assignments)

3 Exams = 140 points (review sheets on website)

Observation Project = 40 points (handout on website)

Social Issue Paper = 40 points (handout on website)

Website Assignments = 40 points (on website under "Assignments")

Attendance/Participation = 40 points

Total = 305 points **Keep up with your grades on class website "gradebook".**

Cheating- 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 attendance sheets or other documents in the course, looking at another student's paper/scantron/essay/computer or exam with or without their approval is considered cheating.

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. Whether the material is a

paragraph, a sentence, or a part thereof, you will receive a zero for the first offence for the assignment or test in question. Any further offenses may result in expulsion from the class, or more as determined by the disciplinary action of Student Services.

Recording devices in the classroom- Section 78907 of the California Education Code prohibits the use of any electronic audio or video recording devices, or photos without prior consent of the instructor. (including cell phones, laptops, cameras, MP3 players, and more)

Classroom Etiquette: Studying Sociology involves discussing topics that may be uncomfortable pertaining to religion, race, gender, age, pornography, sexual orientation and other topics will be discussed. Every student will be expected to show the proper respect for fellow students, the instructor and the facilities in which the class is held. All college policies and regulations relating to student conduct will be observed. In general, disruptive behavior of any kind will not be tolerated. This includes repeated tardiness, inappropriate language, surfing the web, texting, sleeping in class, arriving late, leaving early or walking in and out of classroom for calls, food, etc. Disruptive students can be suspended for up to 2 class sessions at the professor's discretion. We meet for 1 hr. and 25 minutes. Please take care of all personal business before or after class.

NO WALKING IN AND OUT OF CLASSROOM.

As a courtesy to all, please turn off cell phones or place on vibrations. If you are late please minimize disruption to the class. Lap tops can be used to type notes, but not for using the internet. If you have a special situation, please don't hesitate to talk to me about it.

ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES ARE STRICTLY PROHIBITED during EXAMS.

Update Email and emergency contact information:

To update your email address and home phone number, please login to the District Student Information System at this link: <https://eweb3.laccd.edu/WebStudent/signon.asp>.

To update or add your cell phone number to the BBC system, please login to LAMC Student Portal at this link: <https://mymission.lamission.edu/studentlogin.aspx> . This # will be used only for emergency.

Reasonable Accommodations: If you are a student with a disability and require accommodations, please send me a private email. I will be able to assist the DSP&S Office in providing you assistance. 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. Contact the DSP&S Office in Instructional Building 1018 (phone 818/364-7732 TTD 818/364-7861) and bring a letter stating the accommodations that are needed.

MEDICAL CONDITIONS-

If you have any conditions that I need to know about, please notify me immediately by email and provide me with an emergency phone number.

This syllabus is a guide to use throughout this course and is subject to change at the instructor's discretion. It is the student's responsibility to review the calendar for the course and decide appropriate time management to accommodate the demands of this course. It will be assumed that students who have chosen to remain in the course after the first class, are dedicated and prepared to complete all work successfully. Please do not hesitate to ask for assistance, it is my goal that you succeed in this class.

Please program CAMPUS SHERIFF phone number in your cell phone at **(818) 364-7843**

Obtain at least one student's phone number and email in case you are absent:

Name: _____ Email : _____ phone: _____

“The beautiful thing about learning is that no one can take it away from you.” B.B. King

SOCIOLOGY

Associate of Arts Degree Requirements

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

This curriculum is designed to provide an opportunity for the student to complete an undergraduate major in Sociology.

ASSOCIATE IN ARTS – SOCIOLOGY- as of Spring 09

Required Courses		Units
Sociology 1	Introduction to Sociology	3
Sociology 2	American Social Problems	3
Sociology 4	Sociological Analysis	3
Sociology 11	Ethnic and Racial Minorities in the US	3
Math 227	Elementary Statistics	4
Psychology I	General Psychology	3
Humanities 1	Cultural Patterns of Western Civilization	3
OR		
Humanities 2	Studies in Selected Cultures	
TOTAL		22

Recommended

Anthropology 131	Ethnic Identification in the US
African-American. Studies 2	The African-American in Contemporary Society
African American. Studies 4	The African-American History in US I
Chicano Studies 2	The Mexican-American in Contemporary Society

A minimum of 60 units must be completed to earn the Associate in Arts Degree. These are only the requirements for the major in Sociology. Always consult a counselor for information on graduation requirements and transfer.