# Introduction to Sociology Syllabus

Introduction to Sociology SOC201

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### Course Overview

**SOC201 Introduction to Sociology** 

Credit Hours: 3hrs

#### **Course Description**

This introductory course will emphasize both theoretical and practical aspects of sociology as it applies to the areas of business, social work, health, education and ministry. It will include an exploration of how society shapes the individual and a discussion of issues pertaining to social inequality and change. Institutions and institutional access will also be discussed, with attention to both history and geography. Students will also be given the opportunity to do sociological research of their own.

## **Learning Outcomes**

By the end of this course, you will be able to:

- 1. Understand the terminology, theoretical models and methods of research used on the field of sociology.
- 2. Demonstrate how society shapes the individual, relating how sociological constructs practically impact fields such as business, social work, health care and education.
- 3. Evaluate how a biblical worldview both undergirds and conflicts with contemporary American society.
- 4. Design and carry out a research project including a concise presentation of its relevant findings.

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## Instructor Information

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## Resources

Tweedell, C. (2021) *Sociology: A Christian Approach for Changing the World.* 3rd edition. Slingshot Publishing. (e-book)

# Course Outline

MODULE ONE: WHAT IS SOCIOLOGY AND WHY SHOULD I CARE?						
Title	Type Duration Points					
Read and Watch	Input	5hrs				
Introduction	Discussion 40					
Why Sociology?	Discussion	1hr	40			
Theoretical Perspect.	Submission 3hrs 50					
	Totals 15hrs 130					

MODULE TWO: WHY IS EVERYONE SO DIFFERENT?						
Title	Type Duration Points					
Read and Watch	Input	5hrs	1			
Quiz (chaps 1-4)	Quiz	Quiz 1hr 25				
Violating a Folkway	Discussion 1hr 40					
Ethnocentrism	Discussion	3hrs 40				
Agent of Socialization	Submission 5hrs 50					
	Totals	Totals 15hrs 155				

MODULE THREE: WHY DO PEOPLE DO BAD THINGS?				
Title Type Duration Points				

Read and Watch	Input 5hrs			
Chapter 5	Discussion	1hr	40	
Deviant Behavior	Discussion	3hrs	40	
Role Conflict/Strain	Submission	5hrs	50	
	Totals	15hrs	130	

MODULE FOUR: WHY ARE SOME MORE ADVANTAGED?						
Title	Type Duration Points					
Read and Watch	Input	5hrs				
Quiz (chaps 5-8)	Quiz 1hr 25					
Privilege	Discussion 1hr		40			
Neighborhood Reflect.	Discussion	3hrs	40			
Occupational Prestige	Submission 5hrs 50					
	Totals 15 hrs 155					

MODULE FIVE: OH NO! I'M MY MOTHER!						
Title	Type Duration Points					
Read and Watch	Input 5 hrs					
Ageism	Discussion 1hr 40					
Pay Inequality	Discussion 3hrs 40					
Changes for Women	Submission 5hrs 50					
	Totals 15 hrs 130					

MODULE SIX: HOW DO SOCIAL FORCES INFLUENCE US?					
Title	Type Duration Points				
Read and Watch	Input	5 hrs			
Quiz (chaps 9-14)	Quiz	1hr	25		

Marx and Durkheim	Discussion	1hr	40
DEI	Discussion	3hrs	40
Health Status	Submission	5hrs	50
	Totals	15 hrs	155

MODULE SEVEN: USING ECONOMICS AND POLITICS FOR CHANGE						
Title	Type Duration Points					
Read and Watch	Input	5 hrs				
Politics and Groups	Discussion 3hr 40					
Economics	Submission	5hrs 50				
Poverty Simulation	Submission 5hrs 50					
	Totals 18hrs 140					

MODULE EIGHT: HOW CAN I TRANSFORM MY SOCIAL WORLD?						
Title	Type Duration Points					
Read and Watch	Input	5 hrs				
Quiz (chaps 15-18)	Quiz	1 hr 25				
Burning Neighborhood	Discussion	40				
Strategy for Change	Discussion		40			
BLM Demonstrations	Submission	5hrs 50				
Final Project	Submission 100					
	Totals 15 hrs 255					

# Grading

Discussions (40 points each) 1-page reflections (50 points each) Quizzes (4 25-question multiple-choice quizzes based on reading)

Final Project (100 points) TOTAL POINTS: 1250 points

#### Grading Scale:

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94-100% (1175 – 1250) A 74-77% (925 – 974) C

91-93% (1137 – 1174) A- 71-73% (887 – 924) C-

88-90% (1100 – 1136) B+ 68-70% (850 – 886) D+

84-87% (1050 – 1099) B 64-67% (800 – 849) D

81-83% (1012 – 1049) B- 61-63% (762 – 799) D-

78-80% (975 – 1011) C+ 60% and below (761) F
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# Policy/Procedures

#### **ACADEMIC DISHONESTY STATEMENT**

Campus courses maintain a strict policy concerning academic dishonesty, which includes cheating, plagiarism, assisting on an examination or paper when expressly forbidden by the instructor, and any other practices that demonstrate a lack of academic integrity. Cheating occurs whenever a student uses deception to avoid fulfilling the specific requirements of an assignment or course and/or to receive a higher grade than they might otherwise receive. Using artificial intelligence software (such as ChatGPT) to generate writing and pass it off as one's own is also considered cheating. Plagiarism occurs when a student appropriates passages or ideas from someone else's writing into their own without providing proper documentation and/or without using quotation marks to indicate when they are directly quoting a source. It is the student's responsibility to know and adhere to principles of academic honesty. A student found guilty of academic dishonesty will be subject to academic sanctions ranging from failure on the assignment to failure in the course to, in cases of repeated or flagrant violation, suspension, or dismissal from participation in Campus courses. For additional repercussions, consult the academic catalog <a href="https://jessup.edu/academics/registrar/academic-catalog/">https://jessup.edu/academics/registrar/academic-catalog/</a>

#### **DROP PERIOD AND WITHDRAWAL**

The Drop period for Campus courses is five days after the student has enrolled and their designated term has begun. No refund will be available after this point.

Although many Campus classes are technically self-paced, students will be provided with a pacing guide (when relevant) to assist them in knowing how best to complete their courses

on time. Failure to log in during the first week after their course commences will result in automatic removal from the course.

If a student is significantly behind pace two-thirds of the way through their term, they are encouraged to withdraw from the course with a W or equivalent appearing on their transcript. Beyond that point, they will no longer be eligible for a W on their transcript and thus are in danger of receiving a failing grade. Campus will report persistent failure to participate to the transcribing college or university. After the two-thirds point, a student will receive a letter grade for the course, including the possibility of a failing grade.

#### **INCOMPLETE GRADE**

A temporary neutral mark "I" is given at the discretion of an instructor when, for a legitimate reason, a student cannot complete course requirements in a given semester. Apart from catastrophic circumstances, a student is not eligible for an incomplete if they have not completed at least 60% of their coursework for the semester. Typical instances might be an extended illness or an inability to complete the coursework because of extenuating circumstances. A contract between the instructor and the student will accompany this grade to indicate the nature of the work to be completed. An Incomplete Grade (I) should not be used as an alternative to a grade of F. An Incomplete Grade must be made up before the seventh week of the next term whether or not the student is subsequently enrolled with Campus or the university. If the grade is not made up by the deadline, it will be changed to the appropriate grade earned in the course at that point.

#### **DISABILITY STATEMENT**

In accordance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act and the Americans with Disabilities Act, the Jessup Disability Support Services office (DSS) provides eligible students with a variety of individualized, reasonable accommodations. These accommodations are intended to assist college students with disabilities in having equal access to regular college programs and activities. Accommodations are determined individually for each student through an interactive process and are based on functional limitations resulting from a documented disability. Within 3 years (i.e., recent), verifiable documentation must be provided by a medical doctor or appropriately licensed professional.

Approved accommodations will be provided for students who present their instructor with a copy of their Faculty Notification Letter (issued by DSS).

For more information, please visit the Disability Support Services website.

#### **Disability Support Services Contact Information:**

#### **Jessup Disability Support Services**

(916) 577-2253 dss@jessup.edu

#### LIBRARY RESOURCES

You will receive information from the university on how to access library resources. Here is a link to online resources: <a href="https://jessup.edu/library/">https://jessup.edu/library/</a>

#### **CREDIT HOUR POLICY - EXPECTATION OF WORK**

In compliance with federal regulations (34CFR 600.2), Campus requires its courses to require a total workload of at least 2250 minutes per credit hour for the typical student. This workload may be comprised of time allocated to direct faculty-student interaction, assigned readings, independent or group assignments, expected study time, or other course-related activities as appropriate to the specific course and determined by the faculty of record.

#### **GRADE APPEALS**

In the case of a grade appeal, the student shall be considered to have an authentic grievance when he/she can demonstrate his/her grade for a course has been adversely affected due to certain actions by a faculty member. A grade appeal shall be initiated within ten (10) working days after receipt of the grade or after the beginning of the next academic semester. This period may be extended by the chief academic officer of the transcribing college or university on petition from the student(s) involved. For complete information about Jessup and how to file a complaint as a student please see the <a href="Consumer Information Section of the Jessup Website">Consumer Information Section of the Jessup Website</a>.

If a distance education student who lives outside the state of California believes that the university's internal procedures have not adequately addressed concerns identified under the Program Integrity Rule, there is a link on the Jessup website with <u>Student Complaint Information by State and Agency.</u>

#### **CAMPUS EDU PRIVACY POLICY**

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