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# Introductory Sociology

5 Sept. 2012 – 3 Apr. 2013

## CRN 46649

## Office Hours

Tuesday 11:30 to 12:30, Wednesday and Thursday 2:30---3:00.

Class meets in NH150

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CLASS SCHEDULE

**COURSE REQUIREMENTS** 



# Sociology 100.11 Course marking scheme 2012-13 Explained in the first lecture September 5, 2012

## The text (Required) for this course ...

"Sociology: Your compass for a new world" by Robert J. Brym, Lance W. Roberts, John Lie, and Steven Rytina. 4<sup>th</sup> Canadian Edition, Nelson: 2013.

SEPT	Wed. 5 Classes begin	Wed. 12 Last day to change first term or full year course			
OCT	Mon. 8 Thanksgiving Day, no classes	Tue. 9 October quiz period begins, ends Oct. 23 Fri. 26 Professors to submit October quiz grades by 9 a.m.			
NOV	Fri. 30 Last day of classes for first term  Fri. 4 Last day to drop first-term courses				
DEC	Wed. 5 Term examinations begin	Sat. 15 Christmas recess begins after last examination Wed. 19 Professors to submit term grades by 9 a.m.			
JAN	Mon. 7 Second term classes begin; two weeks later 2 <sup>nd</sup> term research  Proposals DUE  Mon. 14 Last day to drop full year courses or change second-term courses				
FEB	Mon. 25 Midterm recess begins, offices closed				
MAR	Mon. 4 Classes resume: Papers DUE Wednesday the 13	Thu. 21 Student Research Day. Mon. 4 Last day to drop second term courses			
APR	Fri. 5 Last day of classes	Thu. 25 Professors to submit final grades by 9:00 a.m. for graduation candidates Wed. 10, Final examinations begin.			

There are 50 points for the first term and 50 points for the second (this includes both term papers/ exams).

Course 1 <sup>st</sup> term 50%	100.11 Introductory	
Xmas Exams TBA	YES 30%	
Test on Text (two)	YES 10% (5% each)	
Attendance / preparation*	10%	
Paper	Preparation *	
Course 2 <sup>nd</sup> Term 50%	100.11 Introductory	
Test on Text (two)	Yes 10% (5% each)	
Attendance* & Essay	10%	
Proposal / Preparation*	10%	
Paper or Exam	20%	

#### Attendance / preparation\*

Attendance in the  $\mathbf{1}^{st}$  term is determined by classroom attendance/and in class essay.

#### Preparation \*

The proposal in the 2<sup>nd</sup> term is a culmination of four <u>documented</u> preparation sessions and is valued at 10 marks. If successful, students may elect to write a paper worth (20%). If a proposal is not successful, students will get no marks for the proposal and will be required to write a final examination worth 20%.

## Attendance\* (2<sup>nd</sup> term)

Should  $2^{nd}$  term attendance be inconsistent, or should students not write the inclass essay, students will be asked to write the final.

## Major writing assignment

#### "He's my man; she's my woman!": the sociologist as unlikely hero.

Find a sociologist that you find interesting, important or totally sick or outrageous. The paper for this course is based upon your own tastes. Starting with your aspirations, basic interests or personal perversions, you will write a 7 to 10 page paper (exclusive of the 15 item bibliography) on the topic of what sociologist turns you on or off.

- START: What sociological problems interest you? Examples include race, inequality, social cohesion, gender socialization. Make a list of about twenty "sociological" topics. Rank order in terms of importance. Make notations on the items at the top of your list. Find examples of your short list of problems prior to selecting one.
- NEXT: check out the sociological authorities who write about the problem you are interested in. Review the literature to find which ones you find most helpful. Find others who are like-minded or who are in disagreement.
- Keep a journal as evidence of your activity and as an aid to writing. Use the two
  columns strategy. On one side of the page, list facts (include the correct
  reference (in the approved format), write out any quotations you might use,

and note the facts your reading has provided. On the other side of the page, makes notes on questions raised and what <u>you</u> think about the facts, quotes etc.

• Make a proposition. Test it. Build up an arguments from week to week. Get in the habit of weekly work for 1 to 2 hours of library research. There should be a minimum of six weeks of research prior to submitting a proposal.

The proposal is a two page outline of the paper complete with a separate bibliography of the materials found in the sessions.

Lectures and events are described in the Course calendar

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## **INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY 100.11**

## **COURSE CALENDAR 2012-2013**

## **SEPTEMBER**

MONDAYs	WEDNESDAYs	
	5 Course syllabus	
10 READ Ch.1 on Theory	12 Continued from Monday	
17 READ CH.2 on Method	19 Preparing the paper Paper	
24 READ CH.3 on Culture	26 Continued from Monday	

## **October**

1	READ Ch. 4 on Socialization	3 Continued
8	thanksgiving	10 READ CH. 5 social interaction
15	READ CH. 6 groups	17 TEST #1 bureaucracy continued
22	Paper work sessions Report	24 CH 6 societies continued
29	READ CH. 7 CH. 7 Inequality	31 continued from Monday

## **NOVEMBER**

5 READ CH. 8 Social Stratification	7 Continued from Monday
12 READ CH. 9 Globalization	14 Continued from Monday
19 READ CH. 10 Race and Ethnicity	24 continued from Monday
26 READ CH. 11 Gender	28 Review

## **DECEMBER**

**Exam** 

# INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY 100.11 COURSE CALENDAR 2013

## JANUARY: Social Difference 10-12. READ Chapters Prior to Lecture

## **Review Questions**

- 1. How does Canadian society experience social difference?
- 2. What significance has difference had in the degree of order found within society?
- 3. What can be done to ameliorate the negative consequences of social difference?
- 4. What are the historic origins of patriarchy and slavery?
- 5. Is ageism found in every societal type?

MONDAYs	WEDNESDAYs
Return examination papers and discuss the requirements and expectations for this term.	9 Preparing the paper
14 Chapter 10 : Race	16
21 Chapter 11 : Gender	23 Chap 12: Age Proposals 70+ due.
28 Work Stoppage	30 Work Stoppage

## **FEBRUARY: Covered in Chapters 13 to 19 inclusive**

## **Review Questions**

- 1. Describe an overview of the interaction of social institutions involved in the recent strike.
- 2. How do the practices and beliefs within one institution affect the ambitions of other institutions?

4	Work Stoppage	6	Work Stoppage
11	Work Stoppage	<b>13</b>	Work Stoppage
18	<b>Social Institutions</b>	20	Social Institutions:
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25	MIDTERM BREAK	27	MIDTERM BREAK

#### **MARCH:**

4	Chap 13: Work All Proposals due	6	Chap 14: Politics
11	Chap 15 Family Chap 16: Religion	13	Chap 17: Education Chap
18	Test chapters 13 to 17 inclusive (5)	20	Chap. 18 Media Chap
25	Chap19: Health and Medicine	27	Chap 20 Population & 21: Social Movements

### **APRIL:**

1	Chap 22: Technology Papers DUE	3 <b>Test</b> Chapters 18 to 22 (5)
8	Review of difference and change	10 Review of social institutions