

Sociology 1000 – Introduction to Sociology
Fall 2010
Grande Prairie Regional College – Hinton Campus

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Class Times: Wednesday at 11:30

Required Text: Macionis, J. J. & Gerber, L.M. (2011). *Sociology* (7th edition). Toronto: Prentice Hall.

Course Description: This course examines the theory, methods and substance of sociology. How societies and individuals are shaped and modified by culture, socialization, deviance, stratification, group processes, industrialization and social movements will be covered.

Course Format: This course will have 3 hours of lecture time per week and an online component. Students are required to be familiar with Moodle and have internet access. Students who are unfamiliar with Moodle or are lacking confidence, should let the instructor know ASAP as help will be provided. It is the student's responsibility to obtain and username and password from GPRC.

Student Evaluation:

Your grade will be based on weekly quizzes, three sociology in action exercises, three assignments and a final paper. Further information on the evaluation exercises is available on Moodle.

Quizzes:	Chapter Quizzes (12 in total) Completed weekly beginning September 15	Value: 25%
Participation Activity:	Sociology in Action Activity (3 in total) Due one week after topic discussed in class	Value: 15%
Assignment #1:	Sociological Investigation Proposal Due Date: September 29	Value: 15%
Assignment #2:	Annotated Bibliography Due Date: October 13	Value: 10%
Assignment #3:	Survey Due Date: October 27	Value: 10%
Final Paper:	Term Paper Due Date: December 15	Value: 25%

Grading:

Students will receive a percentage mark on all written work and quizzes in this course. You will receive by email a breakdown of your written work; quizzes will be graded through Moodle.

At the end of term, your final percentage mark will be translated into a letter grade according to regulations stipulated by GPRC.

Alpha Grade	Percentage Range	Descriptor
A+	90-100	Excellent
A	85-89	
A-	80-84	Very Good
B+	76-79	
B	73-75	Good
B-	70-72	
C+	67-69	Satisfactory
C	64-66	
C-	60-63	
D+	55-59	Poor
D	50-54	Minimal Pass
F	0-49	Failure

Code of Conduct:

Students are expected to follow the policies of Grande Prairie Regional College with regards to behaviour both in the classroom, online and on campus. Special attention should be paid to policies regarding student misconduct in relation to plagiarism and cheating. For more information, students are invited to review the following for information:
<http://www.gprc.ab.ca/downloads/documents/Student%20Misconduct%20Plagiarism%20and%20Cheating.pdf>

Course Outline:

September 8 The Sociological Perspective

September 15 Sociological Investigation
Reading: Chapter 1 (pages 1-13); Chapter 2
Quiz #1
Sociology in Action #1 due

September 22 Culture and Society
Reading: Chapter 1 (pages 14-25); Chapter 3; Chapter 4
Quiz #2
Sociology in Action #2 due

**September 29 Socialization / Social Interaction in Everyday Life / Groups
Organizations**
Reading: Chapter 5; Chapter 6 (pages 120-129); Chapter 7 (pages 147-156)
Quiz #3

	Assignment One Due Sociology in Action #3 due
October 6	Sexuality Reading: Chapter 8 Quiz #4 Sociology in Action #4 due
October 13	Deviance Reading: Chapter 9 Quiz #5 Assignment Two Due Sociology in Action #5 due
October 20	Social Stratification / Social Class / Global Stratification Reading: Chapter 10 (pages 223-237); Chapter 11; Chapter 12 Quiz #6 Sociology in Action #6 due
October 27	Gender Reading: Chapter 13 Quiz #7 Assignment Three due Sociology in Action #7 due
November 3	Race & Ethnicity Reading: Chapter 14 Quiz #8 Sociology in Action #8 due
November 10	Ageing / Health & Medicine / Religion Reading: Chapter 15; Chapter 21; Chapter 19 (pages 457-462) Quiz #9 Sociology in Action #9 due
November 17	Work / Education / Politics Reading: Chapter 16 (pages 374-378; 384-392); Chapter 20 (pages 485-500); Chapter 17 (pages 407-417) Quiz #10 Sociology in Action #10 due
November 24	Family Reading: Chapter 18 Quiz #11 Sociology in Action #11 due
December 1	Population / Environment / Collective Behaviour, Social Movements & Social Change Reading: Chapter 22 (pages 529-536; 546-552); Chapter 23; Chapter 24 (pages 584-587) Quiz #12 Sociology in Action #12 due
December 8	Sociology in Action #13 due
December 15	Final paper due