

Sociology

Course # HUSS 2042

Credits 4

Pre-requisites and Co-requisites: None

Course Description

The course aims to introduce students to the sociological study of society. This introductory course of sociology analyzes social interactions, social institutions, and societal change patterns. This course examines the key theoretical and methodological techniques used in sociology to address a variety of themes, including culture, class, race/ethnicity, gender, education, deviance, social change and so forth through a sociological perspective. This course provides students with an intellectual opportunity to learn, unlearn, and relearn about self, others, and society, as well as to position themselves preparing to design and adapt future societal norms. The course design involves students in developing their own sociological toolkit to analyze society by investigating the social structures, institutions, and social interactions that continue to shape human behavior and societal relationships. Students address issues of culture, socialization, inequality, and deviance through a combination of readings, seminar discussions, visual sociological activities, and research projects; as well as gain a better understanding of how AI-powered chatbots and technologies are rapidly influencing larger social systems.

Course Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of this course, students should be able to:

- Identify basic concepts and theoretical perspectives in sociology.
- Describe the social history of human societies and socialization across social life.
- Develop sociological imaginations / critical thinking skills and apply them to analyze social phenomena, various types of social structures, collective actions, and social changes in society.
- Identify, describe, and apply sociological research methods on contemporary and historical social issues.
- Communicate in diverse peer groups and collaborate to work as an effective team member on joint projects.

Course Assessments and Grading

Item	Weight, %
Participation	10
Oral Presentation	35
Writing Tasks	25

Final Paper	30
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