Collin College
Course Syllabus
Summer II 2010

Course Number: SOCI 1301.2SE
Course Title: Introduction to Sociology
Course Description: Introduction to the scientific study of social factors that influence human behavior. Includes analysis of culture and socialization processes, social interaction, deviance, social stratification/inequality, race relations, global interdependence, and gender.
Course Credit Hours: 3
Pre-requisite: None
Course repeat policy: A student may repeat this course only once after receiving a grade, including “W”.
Course delivery method: Lecture. Methods of presenting course content may include lectures, open discussions, small group projects, case studies, laboratory projects, simulations, and/or audio-visual materials. Students are encouraged to ask questions and to contribute during class discussions.
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Class meeting times: MTWR 6:00-8:00 PM
Class meeting location: Spring Creek Campus, Room 1229

Student Learning Outcomes: Upon successful completion of this course, students should be able to do the following:
1. Apply the three main sociological perspectives to the analysis of everyday social life.
2. Demonstrate the use of the sociological imagination to understand everyday social life.
3. Describe the impact of social stratification (gender, race, class) on individual life chances.
4. Demonstrate an understanding of the reality of cultural diversity and the various effects it has for individuals, groups, and society-at-large.
5. Explain the impact that social structure has on social behavior.
6. Demonstrate an understanding of the process of socialization throughout the life cycle.
7. Judge what are considered to be reasonable criteria for the acceptability of social scientific research.

For a complete list of course objectives and SCANS information, please see the generic syllabus for this course at: http://iws.collin.edu/syllabus/depot/SOCI1301.pdf
Course Requirements:

1. Class attendance and participation.
2. Reading of all assigned materials.
3. Satisfactory completion of class project and exams.
4. Completion of all homework assignments

Attendance Policy/Class Participation:

Regular, punctual attendance is expected. Excessive absences, tardiness, or disruptive behavior may result in a lower course grade. **Students arriving 30 minutes after the start of class session, or later, will be considered absent.** Our class discussions and exercises are an important part of the learning experience; therefore, conflicting work schedules and appointments are not acceptable excuses for missing class. Points are awarded for attendance and participation. If a student is unable to attend class for any reason, it is the student’s responsibility to notify the instructor and to acquire notes or other relevant information from a classmate.

Method of Evaluation:

Final grades will be determined on the following point system:

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All exams will be conducted in class on the scheduled dates, and will consist of multiple choices, matching, and true/false questions unless otherwise instructed. They will cover only the material covered since last exam. There will be opportunities for students to earn extra points during the course of the semester. Refer to the class schedule for exam dates. You will need a simple Scantron form and a pencil to take each of your exams. Each exam, project, quiz or homework assignment counts towards the final grade, therefore, you are advised to pay close attention to the due dates on the course schedule.

Make-up Policy:

**Exams:** There will be no make-up exams except in unavoidable circumstances. If instructor decides to arrange a make-up, student will be required to write a research paper on a topic of the instructor’s choice.

**Assignments/Project:** Due dates state the last day a paper will be accepted. Points will be deducted for each paper submitted after the due date. However, there is no penalty for early submission. Electronic submissions are unacceptable unless specified by instructor.

Withdrawal:

Students are responsible for officially withdrawing from class. Students who fail to attend class, but do not officially withdraw, will receive a failing grade (F). Census date is **July 15, 2010**. Classes dropped after the census date will appear on the student's official transcript with a "W". The last day to withdraw from this class is **August 6, 2010**.

Religious/Holiday days: Please refer to the current **Collin Student Handbook**.

ADA Statement:

It is the policy of Collin County Community College to provide reasonable accommodations for qualified individuals who are students with disabilities. This college will adhere to all applicable federal, state and local
laws, regulations, and guidelines with respect to providing reasonable accommodations as required to afford equal educational opportunity. It is the student’s responsibility to contact the ACCESS office, SCC-G200 or 972.881.5898 (V/TTD: 972.881.5950) in a timely manner to arrange for appropriate accommodations.

**Academic Ethics:**
The College District may initiate disciplinary proceedings against a student accused of scholastic dishonesty. Scholastic dishonesty includes, but is not limited to, statements, acts, or omissions related to applications for enrollment or the award of a degree, and/or the submission as one’s own work material that is not one’s own. Scholastic dishonesty may involve, but is not limited to, one or more of the following acts: cheating, plagiarism, collusion, use of annotated texts or teacher’s editions, and/or falsifying academic records.

**Plagiarism** is the use of an author’s words or ideas as if they were one’s own without giving credit to the source, including, but not limited to, failure to acknowledge a direct quotation.

**Cheating** is the willful giving or receiving of information in an unauthorized manner during an examination, illicitly obtaining examination questions in advance, copying computer or Internet files, using someone else’s work for the assignments as if it were one’s own, or any other dishonest means of attempting to fulfill the requirements of a course.

**Collusion** is intentionally aiding or attempting to aid another in an act of scholastic dishonesty, including but not limited to, providing a paper or project to another student; providing an inappropriate level of assistance; communicating answers to a classmate during an examination; removing tests or answer sheets from a test site, and allowing a classmate to copy answers.

**House Rules:**
The classroom is a scholarly environment and students are expected to behave accordingly. Expression of ideas, thoughts, opinions, etc are encouraged, but have to be done in a scholarly and respectful manner. Students who express willful disrespect towards their classmates or the instructor may be asked to leave the classroom.

Electronic devices may be used in the classroom to enhance learning. Playing games, text messaging, listening to music, using cell phones, etc would not be considered as appropriate use of an electronic device in a learning environment. **Please turn off the audio features of these devices before you enter the classroom.**

**Assistance:**
If you feel you need additional help at any time during this semester please notify the instructor. There are various resources available to help you.

1. You can make an **appointment** to see the instructor outside of class.
2. The Learning Resource Center is also available to help you with any research.
3. **The Writing Center** located in the Learning Resource Center is staffed with professionals to help you with any writing problems. The Center is now located on the second floor of the LRC, in Room D224.

Consultants work with students individually for 45 minutes once or twice a week on academic papers from classes across-the-curriculum. Students also may ask for assistance with college application essays, resumes, and assessment tests.

For more information, please go to the revised **Writing Center Website:**
[www.collin.edu/writingcenter](http://www.collin.edu/writingcenter)

4. **Tutoring Services** are available at no charge to CCCC students. Contact the ACCESS Office at G-200 or (972) 881-5898, (TDD 881-5950).