

## Sociology - Course Syllabus

## **Description:**

This course introduces the scientific study of society, also known as Sociology. The course introduces students to a range of basic sociological principles, from the origins of sociology as a discipline, to a variety of issues faced in everyday life. Specific issues examined are Ethnicity, Gender, Family, Education, Religion, Government, Economy, Health and Illness.

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## **Course objectives:**

- Explore how Sociology contributes to an understanding of the social world.
- Understand how patterns of thought and knowledge are influenced by social, political, and economic structures.
- Understand how theories inform substantive areas of current sociological topics.
- Identify and describe the main sources of social change.
- Analyze the spread and effects of mass education in the United States.
- Explain the Theories and Rates of Social Change: Modernization Theories.

## **Contents:**

- Module 1: Defining Sociology
- Module 2: Society and Personal Development
- Module 3: Social Structure
- Module 4: Problems in Society
- Module 5: Discrimination, Lifestyles, and Identities
- Module 6: Education

F = under 59%

- Module 7: Economic Implications
- Module 8: Government-Based Social Theories
- Module 9: Social Change

| Grading Scale | <b>Grade Weighting</b> |
|---------------|------------------------|
| A = 90-100%   | Quizzes 70%            |
| B = 80-89%    | <u>Final Exam 30%</u>  |
| C = 70-79%    | 100%                   |
| D = 60-69%    |                        |