

Syllabus: SOC 101 Introduction to

Sociology

#### **Course Information**

Course Prefix/Number: SOC 101

Semester: Spring 2019 Class Days/Times: Tuesday.

5:30 pm to 7:30pm

Credit Hours: 3

Course Title: Introduction to Sociology

Room: Central Campus Room 501

### **Instructor Information:**

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#### **Course Description:**

Introduction to the basic concepts of sociology and sociological analysis. Includes identity, folkways, norms, mores, groups, status, role, gender socialization, social structure, culture and ethnicity. Also includes deviance, social control, bureaucracy, social change, social class, collective behavior, social movements, social stratification, inequality, institutions, social organization, and globalization within and across contemporary societies and cultures.

### **Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs):**

### After completion of the course students will be able to:

- 1. Apply sociological theory to a social problem and be able to compare and contrast to reach a reasonable conclusion.
- 2. Use the scientific process to analyze and understand one's social world.
- 3. Critically think about the social world and be able to distinguish between lay theories of social behavior and scientific theories of social behavior.
- 4. Identify ways in which one's behaviors, attitudes, and abilities are influenced by political, economic, cultural, and demographical variables.

5. Understand the process that both inhibits and creates conditions for positive social change.

#### Course Structure:

The structure of this course is lecture, class activities, student writing, and student presentation. The goal is to provide the student with a broad survey of the field of sociology but allow the student to research areas of interest more specifically through class activities and assignments.

#### **Texts and Materials:**

Readings will be assigned throughout the course by the instructor. For definitions and information that students need more information on, or need more information beyond lecture and classroom learning activities can be found in the following required textbook:

OpenStax (2016). *Introduction to Sociology 2e*. Houston, TX: Rice University This textbook can be downloads for free at: <a href="http://cnx.org/content/col11762/latest/">http://cnx.org/content/col11762/latest/</a>

## **Evaluation and Grading & Assignments:**

Attendance and participation 14 classes at 25 points per class = 350 points

### **Quizzes and Exams**

What is Sociology

History and Theory in Sociology

Research Methods

Quiz 1 25pts

Culture

Society and Social Interaction

Social Identity Theory and Belonging

Socialization

Quiz 2 25pts

Deviance, crime and social control

Mid-term exam 100pts

Social Stratification in U.S.

Inequality

Race and ethnicity

Gender, sex, and sexuality

Quiz 3 25pts

Intimate relationships

The family

Quiz 4 25 pts

Work, religion and education

Social movements and social change

Final exam 150pts

Total points quizzes and exams 350pts

Total points for class 700pts

# **Determining grade**

(total points earned / Total points possible) - (10% for each missing assignment) = student percentage for class

90% + = A

80% to 89% = B

70% to 79% = C

60% to 69% = D

Below 59% = F

## **Himdag** Cultural Component:

Sociology is about the study of groups and cultures and how individuals are influenced by their groups and cultures; and how individuals help in shaping their group and culture. Throughout this course, students will discuss in-depth how Tohono O'odham culture influences their beliefs, attitudes, and behaviors. The importance of cultural roots and understanding of how one belongs will also be explored.

Additionally, students will explore how through their individual actions they are influencing the future of the Tohono O'odham culture, and how other social influence impacts the future of a culture. Focus will be placed on maintaining cultural integrity, and using cultural values and ideas to solve modern problems such as economic issues, social justice issues, and outside influences from other groups and other cultures.

Policies and expectations-		

## Classroom behavior/expectations:

This class is a professional adult learning environment, and both the instructor and students are expected to conduct themselves in a manner consistent with respect and academic conduct. The instructor gives all of his student's permission to ask others in the classroom to stop disruptive behaviors (ex. texting, talking to others during lecture, chewing gum or eating food loudly, etc.). If a student is asked to stop being disruptive they are expected to (a) act like an adult, (b) stop their behavior, or (c) leave the class. If the instructor has to ask a student to leave (or stop their disruptive behavior) they will have need to meet with the Assistant Dean of Student Affairs before being able to return to the class.

## Extra credit/Late work/Make-up rules

Extra credit maybe offered throughout the course but is not guaranteed.

Late work can only be made up if arrangements are made with the instructor BEFORE the due date of the given work. If a student has an emergency, it is up to the instructor to decide if the student will be allowed to make-up the work, but is not guaranteed (some emergencies are just not an excuse to place your academic career in second place).

Students should have a back-up plan for common emergencies such as vehicle breaking down, loss of childcare, problems with work, and managing personal crises

### **Attendance and/or Participation requirements**

Participation and attendance in class is a major part of the course grade and content. If you are going to miss a class contact instructor before the date you will miss, and he will email an alternative assignment that can be completed in order not to lose the attendance points for that day you miss. Note unless it is an emergency where you did not have access to a phone, alternative assignments can only be made if the student contacts the instructor before the date missed. NOTE: Students are still responsible for the content of the class that day in order to complete assignment in Guidebook and for exams.

### ADA Statement

Tohono O'odham Community College complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended. In addition, TOCC complies with other applicable federal and state laws and regulations that prohibit discrimination on the basis of disability.

Reasonable accommodations, including materials in an alternative format, will be made for individuals with disabilities when a minimum of five working days advance notice is given. Students needing accommodations are encouraged to contact the Dean of Student Services, at (520) 383-8401. For additional information, see the TOCC Student Handbook.

### **Academic dishonesty definition/policy statement:**

Plagiarism, cheating and other forms of academic dishonesty are prohibited. Students guilty of academic misconduct, either directly or indirectly, through participation or assistance, are immediately responsible to the instructor of the class. In addition to other possible disciplinary sanctions, which may be imposed through the regular classroom policy and college policy. Cheating in this course is based on the perception of the instructor.

#### Harassment

Under policies by the college and under Federal Code Title IX, there is zero tolerance in this classroom for harassment that is sexual in nature, or based on gender, age, or race. If you experience this in this class, please notify the instructor. If you do not feel comfortable going to the instructor, instructions on how to report harassment under Title IX can be found in the Student Handbook or go to the following website https://www.tocc.edu/ccampus-security.

#### **Course Outline:**

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### Fall Semester 2019

First Day of Classes
Add without Instructor's signature
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Aug 19 - 23, 2019
Aug 26 - 30, 2019
Labor Day - College Closed
Drop/Full Refund Deadline
O'odham Tas - College Closed
Sep 2, 2019
Sep 3, 2019
Sep 27, 2019

Fall Break - No Classes Sept 30 - Oct 3, 2019 45th Day Census Oct 3, 2019

St. Francis Day - College Closed
Withdrawal Deadline
Veteran's Day - College Closed
Thanksgiving Holiday - College Closed
Last Week of Classes/Final Exams

Oct 4, 2019
Nov 4, 2019
Nov 11, 2019
Nov 28-29, 2019
Dec 9 - 13, 2019

Final Grades Due Dec 17, 2019
Winter Break - College Closed Dec 25, 2019 - Jan 1, 2020

**DISCLAIMER:** This syllabus is designed to evolve and change throughout the semester based on class progress and interests. You will be notified of any changes as they occur.