

Sociology (2017-2018)

(1 trimester – Elective credit)

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This course is an introduction to the study of sociology, including the study of social behavior, & the organization of human society. Students will learn about the historical development of the field of sociology, the importance & role of culture, social structure, & socialization.

“One of sociology’s many pleasures is that we study life in groups (which can be taken as a definition of sociology), whether those groups be in some far off part of the world or in some nearby corner of our own society, we constantly gain insights into our own selves” - James M. Henslin

Units of Study & Standards

Foundations & Research

- 1 – Students will explain the origins of sociology & the sociological perspective, & how sociology relates to other social sciences.
- 2 – Students will explain the research methodologies used in sociology.
- 3 – Students will explain the major theoretical perspectives in sociology.

Culture & Social Structure

- 4 – Students will explain the development & importance of culture
- 5 – Students will evaluate how cultures develop & evolve.
- 6 – Students will analyze social structure & interaction within society.

Socialization & Social Control

- 7 – Students will explain the process of socialization.
- 8 – Students will analyze the functions of social institutions as agents of social control.
- 9 – Students will analyze forms of social inequality.

My goal is for you to see the connection between the individual & society, as well as understand how social forces shape both individual & group behavior. We will seek to understand & explain human social behavior through the use of videos, group projects, class presentations, discussions, notes, & reading.

Grading & Homework

Grades in this class will be determined by homework, in-class assignments, participation, quizzes, tests, & projects. Grades will follow the OCHS grading scale, which can be found in your planner (pg. 20).

In order to retake an assessment, you must have completed ALL homework and in-class assignments. Most assessments may be retaken or revised, except the final exam. There will be a deadline for retaking assessments that you as a student are responsible for meeting.

Internet Use

Many assignments will require students to research information and present it either orally or in writing. Students are expected to present information in their own words and to cite the resources used when paraphrasing or quoting. On these assignments, bibliographic information and citations are required. At OCHS, MLA version 7 is used. Policies and consequences regarding cheating and plagiarism are listed in the student handbook on page 15.

Supplies

-Textbook:

Henslin, J.M. Sociology: A Down-to-Earth Approach. 7th ed. Boston, MA; Pearson: Allyn & Bacon, 2005.

-Notebook/Binder Section and Notebook paper

-Pen or pencil and Highlighters

Lord's Norms (F128 Culture)

Be On Time
Come Prepared
Follow the Agenda
Expect Best Intentions (Do you mean well?)
Be Engaged (Hot, Luke Warm, Cold??)
Ask Questions
No Complaining Rule
Don't Be an Energy Vampire
Publicize Agenda
Commit to Improve
Use Technology When Important
Voice Opinions when Appropriate
Respect Opinions of Others
Be Open to New Ideas
Constructive Listening

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