

Course Outline for: SOC 1100 Modern U.S. Society - Everyday Life in the United States of America**A. Course Description:**

1. Number of credits: 3
2. Prerequisites: EAP 0760 and EAP 0855 (C- or better) OR
High School GPA of 0.01-1.99 with native speaker result on EAP survey OR
Accuplacer Reading score of 200-234 OR Accuplacer Classic Reading score of 0-59
3. Corequisites: None
4. MnTC Goals: Goal #5 History and the Social and Behavioral Sciences
Goal #7 Human Diversity

This survey course provides valuable information about the United States social system, including U.S. values, mores, and the popular culture. The course highlights the principles and practices of the U.S. society and culture and analyze the ways in which they manifest in everyday life. The course also focuses on the diversity and multicultural makeup of U.S. society.

B. Date last reviewed/updated: January 2023**C. Outline of Major Content Areas:**

1. Sociological concepts and perspectives
2. Social institutions and their functions
3. Everyday life in contemporary U.S. society
4. The influence of social structures and institutions in everyday life
5. Social processes and social systems at work in the U.S.
6. Acculturation and assimilation challenges

D. Course Learning Outcomes:

Upon successful completion of the course, the student will be able to:

1. Acquire a basic understanding of U.S. society: values, practices and social systems.
(Goal 2a, 2d, 5b, 5d, 7a, 7b)
2. Recall sociological concepts and characteristics in U.S. society. (Goal 2a, 2b, 5a, 5b, 7a, 7b)
3. Describe social institutions in U.S. society. (Goal 2a, 5d, 7c)
4. Analyze societal institutions in U.S. society. (Goal 2b, 2c, 5b, 7b, 7d)
5. Examine the various aspects of everyday life and culture in contemporary U.S. society.
(Goal 2c, 2d, 5d, 7c)

E. Methods for Assessing Student Learning:

Assessment methods may include, but are not limited to: exams, quizzes, journals, research papers, oral presentations, written assignments, essays, group work and/or any other assessment measures based on the discretion of the instructor.

F. Special Information:

None