

BRAZOSPORT COLLEGE
INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY
COURSE SYLLABUS
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INSTRUCTOR:

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COURSE DESCRIPTION AND LEARNING OUTCOMES:

In this course, we will examine different cultures throughout the world in an attempt to broaden our horizon as to the life and shape of the different cultures and how their societies are formed. Further, we will study various theories related to the study of sociology. Upon successful completion of this course students will attain fundamental knowledge of the essentials of sociology, and use their skills and abilities when applying sociological theories in an effort to better understand social challenges throughout the world.

Brazosport College faculty and staff are committed to supporting students and upholding the College District's non-discrimination policy. Under Title IX and Brazosport College's policy FFDA (Local), discrimination based on sex, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression is prohibited. If you experience an incident of discrimination, we encourage you to report it. While you may talk to a faculty or staff member at BC, please understand that they are "Responsible Employees" and must report what you tell them to college officials. You can also contact the Title IX Coordinators directly by using the contact information below. Additional information is found on the Sexual Misconduct webpage at www.brazosport.edu/sexualmisconduct. Kelli Forde Spiers, Director, Student Life and Title IX Coordinator Office J-117D; 979-230-3355; kelli.fordespiers@brazosport.edu Victoria Young, HR Coordinator and Deputy Title IX Coordinator Office C-114; 979-230-3303; victoria.young@brazosport.edu

READING MATERIALS:

This course and the content for exams will derive from class lectures and the textbook. Other materials may include short video programs and handouts. Attendance is highly recommended due to the amount of material covered. The basic text is "Essentials of Introduction to Sociology," Thirteenth Edition, Author: James M. Henslin; Publisher: Pearson; ISBN Number: 13: 978-0-13-420558-8. Required course materials are available at the Brazosport College bookstore, on campus or online at <http://www.brazosport.edu/bookstore>. A student of this institution is not under any obligation to purchase a

textbook from the college bookstore. The same textbook is/may also be available from an independent retailer, including an online retailer.

COURSE EXAMS:

There will be three (3) scheduled exams and one final exam. The exams will consist of essay questions. In addition, there will be quizzes throughout the semester. The exams will account for 60 percent of your final grade; quizzes 20 percent; participation 10 percent, and attendance 10 percent.

ACADEMIC HONEST POLICY:

Brazosport College assumes that students eligible to perform on the college level are familiar with the ordinary rules governing proper conduct including academic honesty. The principle of academic honesty is that all work presented by you is yours alone. Academic dishonesty including, but not limited to, cheating, plagiarism, and collusion shall be treated appropriately. Please refer to the Brazosport College Student Guide for more information. This is available online at <http://www.brazosport.edu>.

Academic dishonesty violates both the policies of this course and the Student Code of Conduct. In this class, any occurrence of academic dishonesty will be referred to the Dean of Student Services for prompt adjudication, and may, at a minimum, result in a grade of "F" in this course. Sanctions may be imposed beyond your grade in this course by the Dean of Student Services.

STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES:

Brazosport College is committed to providing equal education opportunities to every student. BC offers services for individuals with special needs and capabilities including counseling, tutoring, equipment, and software to assist students with special needs. For student to receive any accommodation, documentation must be completed in the Office of Disability Services. Please contact Phil Robertson, Special Populations Counselor.

ABSENCES:

Any unexcused or excessive absences (More than three (3)) may result in points deducted from your final grade.

NOTE: If absences are related to a conflict with work schedules, court subpoenas, or personal/family emergencies etc., documentation may be required. Failure to make-up missed exams or quizzes will result in a grade of zero.