

Macao Polytechnic Institute

School of Languages and Translation

Bachelor of Arts in International Chinese Language Education

(Applicable to native speakers of Chinese)

Module Outline

Learning Module	Introduction to Sociology	Class Code	SOCI2110		
Pre-requisite(s)	Nil				
Medium of Instruction	English		Credit	3	
Lecture Hours	45 hrs	Lab/Practice Hours	0 hrs	Total Hours	45 hrs

Description

This course is an introduction to the central concepts and applications of sociology today with an emphasis on the development of a sociological perspective will be provided. Topics include: Types of society; culture, socialization, and identity; social interaction and everyday life; the body; gender, sexuality, and inequality; ethnicity and race; social stratification and class structure; marriage, family, and personal life.

Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of this course, students are expected to:

1. Examine sociological concepts and theories;
2. Critique various social phenomena;
3. Conduct preliminary social research;
4. Combine sociological perspectives into other academic fields such as economics, cultural studies, business management as well as public relations; and
5. Appraise how sociology help them understand their social life.

Content

Topics	Duration
Chapter 1: Sociology: An Introduction	3 hrs
Chapter 2: Culture Chapter 3: Societies and Nations Chapter 4: The Tools of Sociology	3 hrs
Chapter 5: Socialization Chapter 6: Interaction in Groups	3 hrs
Chapter 7: Sexuality Chapter 8: Deviance and Social Control	3 hrs
Chapter 9: Collective Behavior, Social Movements, and Mass Publics Chapter 10: Stratification and Global Inequality	3 hrs
Chapter 11: Social Class (in the United States) Chapter 12: Race and Ethnicity	3 hrs
Chapter 13: Gender Chapter 14: Youth and Age	3 hrs
Midterm Test	3 hrs
Chapter 15: Families Chapter 16: Religion	3 hrs
Chapter 17: Education Chapter 18: Economy Institutions	3 hrs
Chapter 19: Politics and Political Institutions Chapter 20: Health and Medicine	3 hrs
Chapter 21: Population, Urbanization, and the Environment Chapter 22: Global Social Change	3 hrs
Seminars for presentations	3 hrs
Review for the final exam	3 hrs
Final Assessment	3 hrs
Total	45 hrs

Teaching Method

Lectures, discussions, and group projects, etc.

Attendance

Attendance requirements are governed by the “Academic Regulations Governing Bachelor’s Degree Programmes of Macao Polytechnic Institute”.

Assessment:

1. In-class Participation	10%
2. Midterm Assessment	25%
3. Group Project	30%
4. Final Assessment	35%

Total: 100%

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Teaching Materials

Textbook: William Kornblum. *Sociology in a Changing World*, 9th edition. Singapore & United States: Wadsworth (Cengage Learning), 2012. ISBN-10: 1111350213; 13: 9781111350215.

Reference: Diana Kendall. *Sociology in Our Times: The Essentials*, 8th edition. Singapore & United States: Wadsworth (Cengage Learning), 2014. ISBN-10: 1111305528; 13: 9781111305529

Textbook companion web site (URL):

1. http://www.wadsworth.com/cgi-wadsworth/course_products_wp.pl?fid=M20bI&flag=instructor&product_isbn_issn=9781111350215&disciplinenum=3093&template=ASIA
2. http://www.cengage.com/cgi-wadsworth/course_products_wp.pl?fid=M20bI&product_isbn_issn=9781111301576

Teaching websites:

1. <http://elearning.ipm.edu.mo/webct/entryPageIns.dowebct>

Other websites:

1. <http://www.ucm.es/info/isa>;
2. <http://www.sachina.edu.cn>;
3. <http://socserv2.mcmaster.ca/w3virtsoclib/>