

SOCIOLOGY 4200

DRUGS, ALCOHOL, AND SOCIETY

KENNESAW STATE UNIVERSITY/FALL 2013/SECTION 01

MW 3:30 PM - 4:45 PM/SOCIAL SCIENCES BLDG #3019

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SYLLABUS

Sociology is the study of human social interaction. One of the ways that people interact with one another is through buying and selling drugs, as well as by taking drugs together for pleasure or because of addiction. Alcohol, of course, is a drug. Some drugs are legal, others are illegal, and their legal status is subject to change. People have always used drugs, but the scope and variety of drug use today is unprecedented.

In this course we will study the major categories of drugs, their effects, the ways in which they are abused, and the categories of people involved and affected. We will also study drug laws, policies, and treatments.

REQUIRED TEXT

Drugs and Society, 11th Edition (Hanson et al) 2012

SCHEDULE

	MONDAY	WEDNESDAY
WEEK 1	AUGUST 19 -- Introduction	AUGUST 21 -- Chapter 1
WEEK 2	AUGUST 26 -- Chapter 1	AUGUST 28 -- Chapter 2
WEEK 3	SEPTEMBER 2 -- LABOR DAY NO CLASS	SEPTEMBER 4 -- Chapters 2 & 3
WEEK 4	SEPTEMBER 9 -- Chapter 3	SEPTEMBER 11 -- Chapters 4 & 5
WEEK 5	SEPTEMBER 16 -- EXAM ONE	SEPTEMBER 18 -- Chapters 6 & 7
WEEK 6	SEPTEMBER 23 -- Chapters 7 & 8	SEPTEMBER 25 -- Chapter 8
WEEK 7	SEPTEMBER 30 -- Chapter 8	OCTOBER 2 -- Chapter 9
WEEK 8	OCTOBER 7 -- Chapter 10	OCTOBER 9 -- Chapter 10
WEEK 9	OCTOBER 14 -- Chapter 11	OCTOBER 16 -- Chapter 11
WEEK 10	OCTOBER 21 -- EXAM TWO	OCTOBER 23 -- Chapter 12
WEEK 11	OCTOBER 28 -- Chapter 13	OCTOBER 30 -- Chapter 13
WEEK 12	NOVEMBER 4 -- Chapter 14	NOVEMBER 6 - Chapter 15
WEEK 13	NOVEMBER 11 - Chapter 15	NOVEMBER 13 - Chapter 16
WEEK 14	NOVEMBER 18 - Chapter 16	NOVEMBER 20 - Chapter 17
WEEK 15	NOVEMBER 25 - Chapter 17	NOVEMBER 27 - FALL BREAK NO CLASS
WEEK 16	DECEMBER 2 - Chapter 18	
FINAL EXAM WEEK	DECEMBER 9 -- EXAM THREE 3:30 - 5:30 PM	

EVALUATION

Your grade will be based on:

MULTIPLE-CHOICE EXAMS

Three open-book/open-notes multiple-choice exams, to be administered in class, consisting of 50 2-point questions. Each exam will be worth 100 points, for a total of 300 points. Exam 3, the final exam, will not be cumulative, but will cover the third unit, the last five weeks of the course.

ESSAY EXAMS

The first and last M.C. exam will be accompanied by a take-home essay exam worth 50 points. Your essays will be submitted in class as well as uploaded to Turnitin.com. You will receive the questions in advance along with specific instructions.

These exams will be graded on a standard point system:
90+ = A, 80+ = B, 70+ = C, 60+ = D, and 59 and below = F.

CLASS TOTAL: 400 points

POLICIES

1) ATTENDANCE

If you ever have to miss class, make sure to get the notes for the lecture you missed from a fellow student. If you have a university-sanctioned reason to miss an exam, such as an athletic event, you must notify me in advance in order to make-up the exam, preferably prior to the regularly scheduled time. **If you are sick, you must let me know the day of the exam, assignment, or exercise in order to qualify for making up the work.**

2) PERSONAL ELECTRONIC DEVICES

There is no use of cell phones for texting while in class. Phones should be turned off. You must discuss with me any reason you need to keep your phone on vibrate to receive a call, otherwise it will be considered a violation. Laptops may be used ONLY for note-taking. This will be monitored.

3) INTEGRITY

It is your responsibility to maintain academic integrity as specified in the KSU Student Code of Conduct. Do not cheat or plagiarize, and do not aid and abet others in cheating or plagiarizing. My policy for a first offense is that if you are caught cheating or helping a fellow student cheat your grade for that assignment may be a ZERO. Any subsequent infractions may result in your expulsion from the course with an F, and a referral to the University Administration for further sanctions.

4) ACCOMMODATIONS

Any student requiring accommodations or services due to a disability must contact Disabled Student Support Services in the Student Development Center: 770-423-6443, or e-mail Nastassia Sanabria at nsanabria@kennesaw.edu. The office is located in the Student Center, Building 5, Room 267. I will work with the student and the Center to make a reasonable accommodation for testing once verification has been provided to me by the office.

5) ADVISING

The College of Humanities and Social Sciences is pleased to offer academic advising to students in the Undergraduate Advising Center (UAC). The UAC is located in Willingham Hall, Room 223. Their hours are Monday - Friday 9 am - 6 pm. Students are strongly encouraged to make appointment by using the website, or by calling the Center during office hours at [770-794-7728](tel:770-794-7728). For more information, visit the UAC website: <http://www.kennesaw.edu/hssadvising/home.php>."