

KENNESAW STATE UNIVERSITY
SOCIAL ISSUES
2105 / 08

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I. Required Text (s) Materials:

All students are required to print their own reading material when required to do so for this course.
There is no textbook required

II. Required Reading Assignments:

Further reading material (s) may be assigned by the Instructor.

III. Course Description:

This course is designed primarily to help students develop skills in critical thinking and gain a better understanding of social issues. Students will learn how the participation or association in social groups (neighborhoods, religious institutions, culture, technology, social movements, political affiliations, school, social clubs, families, and friendships) determines who we are to become and how our lives are shaped.

IV. Instructional Process:

Instructor will lecture, lead discussions, and provide relevant examples and other assistance to students in an effort to help them grasp complex materials. Instructor will provide students with prompt feedback on examinations and written assignments, and be available for conferences with students. Instructor will adhere to all other official regulations, and will perform administrative functions in accordance there with. And Instructor will construct and implement whether this course fulfills its objectives.

V. Behavioral Objective:

Students should be able to understand and explain, both orally and in writing the research technique (s) used in sociology, issues and problems encountered in social science, critical thinking, scientific reasoning, and the connections that exist between other disciplines.

V I. Course Objectives:

To provide a better understanding for:

- Social Phenomena
- Critical Thinking
- Scientific Reasoning
- Connection to other Disciplines
- Social Issues (race, gender, culture.....)

VII. Attendance Policy:

Students are required to attend all class meetings, and to arrive on time (Students will not be allowed to enter the classroom 30 minutes after the class' official beginning time).

VIII. Evaluation and Grading Procedures:

Satisfactory performance on both in class and out of class assignments and examinations is required to obtain a grade of "C" or better in this course. **Quizzes, both announced and unannounced, examinations, class participation, and writing assignments make-up quizzes will not be given. Examinations may be made up only if an official excused absence is obtained from the office.** The final grade is based on the following categories and grade weights:

Components of Students' Grades

1. Attendance and Class Participation	20%
2. Unit Test (combined)	20%
3. Writing Assignments	20%
4. Term Paper	20%
5. Comprehensive Final Examination	20%

IX. Disability Clause

Kennesaw State University provides support for students with disabilities.

It is the student's responsibility to identify himself/herself as an individual with a disability. A qualified individual in the area of the identified disability must provide the documentation of the disability. This documentation must state how the disability creates a significant impact on the individual's academic performance; it should include suggested accommodations that are reasonable to provide in an academic setting.

X. Academic Integrity:

Every KSU student is responsible for upholding the provisions of the Student Code of Conduct, as published in the undergraduate and graduate Catalogs. Section II of this addresses the University's policy on academic honesty, including provisions regarding plagiarism and cheating, unauthorized access to University materials, misrepresentation/falsification of University records or academic work, malicious removal, retention, or destruction of library material, malicious/intentional misuse of computer facilities and /or services, and the misuse of student identification cards. Incidents of alleged academic misconduct will be handled through the established procedures of the University Judiciary Program, which includes either an "informal hearing procedure, which may subject a student to the Code of Conduct's minimum one semester suspension requirement.

The Last Day to withdraw without Academic Penalty is _____.