

**Course Title: SOC 316 Sociology Of Sexuality**

**Term: Fall 2022**

**Instructor: TBA**

**Course Credit: 3**

**Mode of Instruction: Online**

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**Course Description:**

This course will focus on sociological approaches to studying sexuality and link sexualities studies to broader sociological questions. Through text, film, and discussion, we will begin by examining sources and modes of sexual socialization and the impact of sexual roles on relationships ranging from impersonal to intimate, and will seek to understand how sexuality has influenced and is influenced by a variety of domains of society.

**Course Prerequisites:**

SOC 101 Introduction To Sociology

**Learning Outcomes:**

By the end of the course, the student should be able to:

- A. Gain a better understanding of the relationship between human sexuality and contemporary society;
- B. Explain different approaches to researching and theorizing sexuality;
- C. Understand and explain the impact of sexual roles on relationships;
- D. Detail how sexualities intersect with race, ethnicity, class, gender, age, ability, and other socially constructed categories;
- E. Use sociological lens to explore the complex dimensions of human sexuality.

**Course Material:**

John DeLamater & Rebecca F. Plante, *Handbook of the sociology of sexualities*, 2016.

**Evaluation:**

- 2 Assignments [20%]
- 2 Essays [30%]
- Mid-term Exam [20%]
- Final Exam [30%]

**Description of the Evaluation tasks:**

Assignment/ Essay/ ... : During the term, students will be required to finish several evaluation tasks within due date. All the tasks are linked with specific course topics/outcomes and will adequately assess students' competence and learning outcomes. Students are encouraged to meet with instructor about these tasks at any point.

Mid-term/ Final Exams/ Quiz/... : There may be periodic quizzes given at the beginning of lecture sessions; the feedback from these quizzes will monitor the progress of the learners and help to set learning priorities. There will be mid-term exam/ final exam for the course. They are the basic criteria for the evaluation of students' learning outcomes and final grade.

**Grading Policy:**

Students are supposed to finish each online lecture. Prior to each class, students should finish the required readings. During the class time, students are encouraged to make use of all relevant online course resources and communicate with the instructor. Students' grades are accumulated based on the cumulative evaluations.

Students' letter grade will be assigned according to the following scale:

A+ 90-100	A 85-89	A- 80-84
B+ 77-79	B 73-76	B- 70-72
C+ 67-69	C 63-66	C- 60-62
D+ 57-59	D 53-56	D- 50-52
F < 50		

**Academic Integrity:**

Students must strictly adhere to the university's academic integrity rule; and all essays, exams and any other form of academic assignments must adhere to these rules. Any form of plagiarism, cheating, or misappropriation of materials will be considered a violation of academic integrity and will be punishable by the university.

**Withdrawal from the Course(s):**

Students will be able to apply for a transfer or withdrawal within 3 days of the starting date of the course. If a withdrawal is applied for within 3 working days, the tuition fee will be fully refunded. After 3 days, the tuition fee will not be refunded. If a withdrawal is applied for in the first two weeks, it will be recorded as W (Withdraw) on the course transcript. After this initial two-week period, the class will be recorded as F (Fail).

**Tentative Schedule:**

Week 1	
1	The Sociological Study of Sexuality: An Introduction
2	Part I Theories Sexual Script Theory: Past, Present, and Future
3	Macro Theory in Sexual Science
4	Studying Sexualities from a Life Course Perspective

5	Part II Methods Surveying Sexualities <b>Assignment 1</b>
<b>Week 2</b>	
6	Ethnography in a “Sexy Setting”
7	Observational Methods in Sexuality Research
8	Part III Bodies and Sexuality Unpacking Sexual Embodiment and Embodied Resistance
9	Missing Intersections: Contemporary Examinations of Sexuality and Disability
10	Trans* Sexualities <b>Essay 1</b>
<b>Week 3</b>	
11	Part IV Sexualities in Social Context Casual Sex: Integrating Social, Behavioral, and Sexual Health Research
12	Sexuality in Long-Term Relationships
13	<b>Mid-term Exam</b>
14	Intersectionality: Race, Gender, Sexuality, and Class
15	Asexualities: Socio-Cultural Perspectives <b>Assignment 2</b>
<b>Week 4</b>	
16	Cities and Sexualities
17	The Queer Metropolis
18	Part V Sexualities in Institutional Context The Family in Flux: Changing Sexual and Reproductive Practices
19	Understanding Religious Variations in Sexuality and Sexual Health
20	Sexuality and Education: Toward the Promise of Ambiguity <b>Essay 2</b>
<b>Week 5</b>	
21	Sex Work

22	Pornography
23	The Medicalization of Sexual Deviance, Reproduction, and Functioning
24	Sexualities and Social Movements: Three Decades of Sex and Social Change
25	<b>Final Exam</b>