

SOCIOLOGY 3413 : Rural Sociology
MWF 12:00-12:50, SH 207
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Course Description:

Analysis of the social and technological changes taking place in the rural segment of society and the impact of these changes on the total society.

Course Objective:

To gain a broader understanding of the rural segment of society in relation to the larger culture and society.

Required Text:

Rural Communities: Legacy and Change. Flora and Flora

Course Requirements:

3 exams = 50 points each (150 points possible)
12 in-class assignments = 5 points each (50 points possible - the 2 lowest scores will be dropped)
2 article reviews with presentations = 50 points each (100 points possible)
5 take home assignments = 20 points each (100 points possible)
Total points possible = 400

Course Grading:

360-400 = A
320-359 = B
280-319 = C
240-279 = D
Below 240 = F

Class Attendance:

Class attendance is expected. You are also expected to arrive to class on time and not leave early (unless an emergency occurs). Attendance will be taken at the time of in-class assignments. Students will only be penalized for course work they miss (i.e., in-class assignments, exams, papers/article reviews/presentations).

Make-Up Exams and Assignments:

Make-up exams are permitted. No reason is necessary. However, make-up exams will be essay and there is no exception. A student who turns in an article review or take home assignment late will be penalized five points for each day (not class period) the paper is late. There will be no make-ups permitted for missed in-class assignments.

Academic Misconduct:

Students who commit academic misconduct will be given a grade of zero on the assignment or exam. If a second offense is committed, the student will be given a grade of "F" in the course. Plagiarism will be treated in the same manner.

ADA Compliance:

If a student feels he/she has a disability requiring special accommodations, he/she should inform the instructor so the university's Office of Student Affairs can be contacted. The instructor will work with students to ensure that they have equal opportunity to complete the course.

Course Schedule (may change at instructor's discretion):**Week 1**

Introduction and Chapter 1

Week 2

Finish Chapter 1 and Chapter 2

Week 3

Chapter 3

Week 4

Chapter 4

Week 5

Finish Chapter 4

EXAM 1: Wednesday, September 22

Week 6

Chapter 5

Week 7

Chapter 6

Week 8

Chapter 7

Week 9

Begin Chapter 8

FALL BREAK: October 21, 22

Week 10

Finish Chapter 8

EXAM 2: Wednesday, October 27

Week 11

Chapter 9

Week 12

finish Chapter 9

Week 13

Chapter 10

Week 14

Chapter 11

THANKSGIVING BREAK: November 24-28

Week 15

Finish Chapter 11 and Chapter 12

Article Reviews Due: Friday, December 3 in class

Week 16

Finish Chapter 12 and Review

FINAL EXAM

Friday, December 17, 11:00-12:50