

Course Title: Sociology
Credit / Hours: 1/2 credit

Board Approval Date: June, 2010

Course Description:

This course focuses on mastery of the National Sociology Association Standards. The course will provide students with a comprehensive examination of the concepts, principles and methods central to the scientific study of sociology. The course will focus on getting students to think like sociologists by looking at contemporary social issues and events so that sociology becomes personally meaningful. Students will develop a sociological imagination that allows them to see how their lives are shaped by the social environment, and how in turn the social environment is shaped by people. The course will introduce the rich diversity that is found in various societies around the world and help students gain an understanding and appreciation of the social diversity found today.

Learning Activities / Modes of Assessment:

Large Group Instruction
Laboratory Experiments
Small Group Work
Computer Simulations
Power Point Presentations
Societal Simulations
Tests and Quizzes
Checklists/Teacher Observation
Projects with Rubrics
Lab Journals/Write-ups
Film View and Review

Instructional Resources:

Sociology and You. Jon M. Shepard and Robert Greene. Glencoe/McGraw-Hill 2008
Accompanying readers, lesson primers and lab project guides
Glencoe, teacher and student created power-points
Appropriate Internet Resources

Course Pacing Guide

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Course Unit (Units of Sociological Inquiry)	Length of Instruction
1. The Sociological Perspective	4 classes
2. Research Methods	6 classes
3. Culture	8 classes
4. Socialization: Becoming human	6 classes
5. Social Organization	4 classes
6. Social Inequalities	5 classes
7. Deviance and Conformity	3 classes
8. Social Institutions	4 classes
9. Social Change and Population	5 classes