

Course Prefix/No: SOC 205
Course Title: Social Problems
Lec Hours/Week: 3.0
Lab Hours/Week: 0.0
Credit Hours/Semester: 3.0

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course is a survey of current social problems in America, stressing the importance of social change and conflicts as they influence definitions, etiology, and possible solutions.

COURSE COMPETENCIES

Module 1

1. Examine and describe what constitutes a social problem.
2. Describe the role of sociological theory and methodology in the study of social problems.
3. Examine the dynamics of economic inequality and poverty as a social problem.
4. Examine the dynamics of gender inequality as a social problem.

Module 2

1. Discuss the dynamics of human sexuality and how various patterns of sexual behavior are understood as social problems.
2. Analyze and explain patterns of alcohol and drug use as a social problem.
3. Analyze and explain forms of violence as a social problem.

Module 3

1. Analyze and discuss various social problems (and possible solutions to these problems) within the institution of formal education.
2. Analyze and discuss various social problems (and possible solutions to these problems) within the institution of the workplace.

MINIMAL STANDARDS

A minimum of 60 percent accuracy on evaluative measures (see Grading Scale) will be required for the student to receive credit for this course. A minimum of 70 percent accuracy on evaluative measures will be required before the course will attain transferability.

GRADING

Competencies will be evaluated with three objective and/or essay exams and a written component (explained during the course orientation).

For this course, grading will be determined in the following manner:

Module 1: 25%

Module 2: 25%

Module 3: 25%

Written component: 25%

Grading Scale

A 90 – 100

B 80 – 89

C 70 – 79

D 60 – 69

F Below 60

COURSE REQUIREMENTS**Attendance Policy**

Students are responsible for attending all scheduled meetings in the courses in which they are enrolled until they have completed all course requirements. Students are responsible for all material covered and for all assignments made in all classes. Students who are absent from a class more than 10 percent of the hours assigned may be withdrawn.

Student Conduct

Students are requested to conform to all conduct codes specified in the York Technical College Handbook and Catalog.

ENTRY-LEVEL SKILLS: Not Applicable

PREREQUISITES: Eng 100 or equivalent

CO-REQUISITES: None

Withdrawal from a Course

A student may withdraw from a course after the add/drop period until midterm with a grade of W. The student should contact the instructor to withdraw. To withdraw after midterm and receive a grade of W, the student must personally see the Instructor for approval. All other students will receive a grade of WF.

Disabilities Statement: Any student who feels s/he may need an accommodation based on the impact of a disability should contact the Special Resources Offices (SR) at 803-327-8007 in the 300 area of Student Services. The SRO coordinates reasonable accommodations for students with documented disabilities.

Effective: FA2006