

**SOCIOLOGY 303:
Sociology of Deviance
SYLLABUS Summer 2006**

SOC 303, Section 01 Three Semester Hours
Lecture M-F 1:20-2:20 pm., Parkinson 202;

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**Required Text: Deviant Behavior (8th edition) written by Alex Thio
Readings in Deviant Behavior (4th edition) written by Alex Thio and Thomas C. Calhoun**

Course Format: Lecture and discussion. Students will attend five lectures per week. The methods of presentation, in addition to lecture and discussion, may include videos, overhead projection, and/or guest lectures. It is extremely important for you to note that material will be covered that is above and beyond the text book. This material will only be available from lecture therefore it is extremely important for you to be in lecture.

Course Objectives: Students will be able to demonstrate on exams and in writing their knowledge of such basic sociological concepts as socialization, social control, norms and stigma, as well as to develop in discussion an understanding of the concept of deviance as it is used by social scientists. Students will be able to summarize the history of deviance as a sociological concept, explain the differences between competing definitions of deviance, and demonstrate familiarity with some of the more prominent theories explaining and predicting deviant behavior. (Adapted from Syllabus of Catherine Field SIUC)

Course Description: This course examines in a scientific manner many behaviors considered immoral, illegal, or pathological, including physical, sexual, and family violence, suicide and mental disorder, sexual deviance, drug and alcohol use, crimes of the powerful and of the powerless. Students who would find a frank discussion of topics like these upsetting are advised to drop the course.

Course Requirements: There will be four exams and one take home final exam given. Each exam will cover about a fourth of the assigned chapters. The exams may be objective (multiple choice and true/false, for example) or subjective (essay) or both. Exams will include material from the textbook, the lecture, and the reader. The final exam will be a take home essay exam that you have approximately three weeks to do. It will be created with help from you and will be a joint class effort. The final exam will be weighted the same as the four previous exams, which means there will be five exam grades worth 100 point each. There will be no makeup exams except at the discretion of the instructor. If a makeup is permitted, it will be an essay exam scheduled at my convenience, but must be completed within three class days of the original test date. Additionally, there will be a series of small writing assignments worth 200pts as well as 100pts for participation in the creation of the final for a total of 800pts.

Grading: The grading scale will be as follows A = 720+ points, B = 640+ points, C = 560+ points, D = 480+ points, out of a possible total of 800 points.

Tests 100 x4 = 400
Reader Reviews = 200
Final Take Home = 100
Questions Project = 100

Projects: There will be projects throughout the semester. The first you will undertake Thursday and Friday June 15th and 16th outside of class (no class those days). On Tuesday June 20th you will come to class with 3 fully answered essay questions of your creation for possible inclusion in the take home final. These will be 2-3 page essays. Further information on this assignment will be given out Wed June 14th.

The second project is the discussion assignment which is an on going selection of brief essays based on your readings in the Readings Text (Thio and Calhoun). On each selection of readings if it is marked with an asterisk one of those is required to be included in your essays. For example Chapter 2 is accompanied by readings 5,6,7,8. You MUST include an essay on 5, 6, 7, or 8 in your discussion assignment. There are five required and the other 3 you do are you can select from any. You will do 8 total worth 20pts each. All 8 being done will reward you a bonus 40pts on the assignment. These readings will be graded on a +, check, - system, and each is worth a maximum of 20pts for +, 10pts for a check, and 0 pts for a -. Readings will be collected every Monday and only on Mondays. For example the required discussion assignment for 5,6,7,8 will and 9,11,12,13 are both in the same week (week number 2) both of those will be collected on Monday June 26th and will not be collected later than that.

Attendance: Attendance will be taken, but will not be graded. Students are asked neither to arrive late to lecture, nor to leave early. You know when class is, do not schedule rides home or doctors appointments during this time. Because I am not taking attendance and am letting YOU decide whether or not to attend class, then you need to know that it is also your responsibility to gets notes and assignments from your classmates. Since the schedule and syllabus can change throughout the semester as needed, it is also your responsibility to keep up to date on those. It is highly suggested that you come to class, if you are not in class it will be difficult to pass the class, and even more difficult to get above a C. A lot of the material we cover is not in the book.

Plagiarism: It is expected that all work submitted by the student is his or her own original work. Careful attention must be paid to documenting sources that reflect the writings and ideas of other people. If you do not understand what plagiarism consists of, or have any doubts or questions at all you should see one of the following:

- 1) Me
- 2) The Writing Center
- 3) The student conduct code
- 4) Your academic advisor

Plagiarized work **WILL** result in a grade of **-0-** for the assignment, and consideration on a case by case basis will be given for possible referral to the administration for expulsion.

Other Rules and Minutia:

If you have to leave early or miss class, please let me know in advance either in person or via e-mail. Please try to be on time and stay for the duration of the class.

Please do not bring children, pets, or visitors to class. If you find it necessary to do so, let me know ahead of time.

I do not give notes to students. If you miss a day, please arrange to copy notes from a classmate. Feel free to see me if you need clarification on any of the points in lecture you missed.

Turn your cellular phones and pagers off before entering the classroom! This is a must. If for some reason you feel you must interrupt my class with your cellular phone you will be asked to leave.

If you need course adaptations, or if you have emergency medical information, please make an appointment to see me as soon as possible.

If you are having a hard time with the course, please see me as soon as possible.

Do not sleep during class; I will wake you up, loudly and in front of everyone. If you are tired stay home, do not waste your time or mine.

It is doubtful that there will be extra credit, if there is extra credit you are only eligible to receive it if you are present the day it is assigned. This is part of the bonus for class attendance.

Buy the books. This is a must. You CANNOT pass this class without doing the readings. I will fail you. You will need it the book.

Again you know when this class is, it is the same day every day for the semester. Do not schedule rides home or appointments during this class time.

This syllabus is subject to change.

SCHEDULE

Monday June 12th- Intro, syllabus
Tuesday June 13th- Chapter 1 READER: Intro
Wed June 14th Chapter 1 READER: 1,3,4
Thursday June 15th- Library Assignment- NO CLASS
Friday June 16th- Library Assignment- NO CLASS

Monday June 19th- Chapter 2 READER: 5,6,7,8*
Tuesday June 20th- Chapter 2
Wed June 21st- Chapter 2-3
Thursday June 22nd- Chapter 3 READER 9,11,12,13*
Friday June 23rd- Chapter 3

Monday June 26th- Test 1
Tuesday June 27th- Chapter 4 READER 14,15,16,17
Wed June 28th- Chapter 4
Thursday June 29th- Chapter 5
Friday June 30th- Chapter 5

Monday July 3rd- Chapter 6 READER 18,19,20,21*
Tuesday July 4th- NO CLASS- Enjoy the 4th, don't party too much, back to class tomorrow.
Wed July 5th- Chapter 6
Thursday July 6th- Test 2
Friday July 7th- Review, Recap, Re-guide

Monday July 10th- Chapter 7
Tuesday July 11th- Chapter 7 READER: 23
Wed July 12th- Chapter 8 READER: 24
Thursday July 13th- Chapter 8
Friday- July 14th- Chapter 9, READER 30,31

Monday July 17th- Chapter 9 READER: 32,33
Tuesday July 18th- Chapter 10
Wed July 19th- Chapter 10
Thursday July 20th- Test 3
Friday July 21st- Chapter 11 READER: 34

Monday July 24th- Chapter 11 READER: 36,37
Tuesday July 25th- Chapter 12
Wed July 26th- Chapter 12
Thursday July 27th- Chapter 13 READER: 42,43,44,45*
Friday July 28th- Chapter 13

Monday July 31st- Chapter 14 READER: 46
Tuesday August 1st- Chapter 14
Wed August 2nd- Test 4
Thursday Aug Final due during final time.

*Denotes one of these reader selections you are required to use for your discussion assignment.

Other Available Reader Articles for discussion: 26-29, 38-41, 50-53*

These will not form potential questions for the exam. **All other assigned reader articles are.** Even though these "Others" are not potential exam questions, you are required to include one from 50-53 in your 10.