SOCIOLOGY 115-B

Introduction to Sociology Fall, 2006

Tuesday, Thursday 12:50 to 2:00 p.m.

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Text: Sociology, Schaefer (10th edition)

Requirements and Information:

1. Reading assigned material and being prepared to discuss and role play in class. Class participation will be a significant factor in grading.

- 2. Tests: There will be three tests and one final examination. Questions will include a variety of modalities. Test dates will be: **September 19**, **October 12**, and **November 7**. The date of the final exam will be determined at a later date. Make-up tests will not be given without a documented and appropriate reason. If the make-up test is given, it will be different from the original test.
- 3. Class attendance and participation is essential to learning. Students who have more than two unexcused absences will drop one grade level for each missed class—for example, a B to a B-, etc. Excused absences will include illness, family emergency, or job interview. Documentation is requested for excused absences.
- 4. Grading: The final grade will be based on the average score of the exams and, if done, the paper. Class participation can improve the grade by as much as three points, based on regularity and quality. The instructor reviews participation at midterm and at the end of the semester. Points will be added to the final grade dependent upon that evaluation.
- 5. The Academic Honesty Policy outlined in the Student Handbook will be strictly adhered to in all situations.
- 6. Office hours: The instructor is available to students as needed. Please see the instructor before or after class. Call the office or email to set up an appointment. Help is best if sought early.

COURSE OUTLINE AND CORRESPONDING TEXT CHAPTERS

(in approximate order of presentation)

Readings and Exercises will be assigned as material is presented.

Assignment	Topic	Chapter(s)
I	Introduction, Sociological Perspective and Research	1, 2
II	Socialization	4
III	Culture and Society	3, 5
IV	Group Concepts	6
V	Social Stratification	9
VI	Race Ethnic and Gender Relations	10, 11, 12
VII	Stratification by Age	13
VIII	Institutions—Family, Religion, and Education	14, 15, 16
IX	Social Change and Collective Behavior	7, 21, 22
X	Urbanization	20
XI	Deviance	8
XII	Medicine & Health	19
XIII	The Economy and Worth	23