

Midland College
Master Syllabus

SOCI 2319: Minority Studies

PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENT: For Online courses, students **MUST** actively participate by completing an academic assignment by the official census date. Students who do not do so, will be dropped from the course.

COURSE DESCRIPTION: Study of minority-majority group relations, past and present. Examines the causes and consequences of prejudice and discrimination and ways of combating them, and emphasizes the effects of social inequality of race and ethnicity.

TEXTS: Will be current. Students should contact their instructor prior to purchasing the text and supplies to confirm required course materials.

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES:

After successfully completing this course students will be able to:

1. Students will identify the historical roots of racial and ethnic groups and the social experiences and cultural contributions they have had.
2. Students will identify the history of slavery in both old and new world and recognize the implications to present society.
3. Students will identify the factors leading to inequality among social groups in societies and the attempts to achieve equality.
4. Students will explore the historical presence of selected minority groups and identify the factors uniquely affecting each group in today's society.

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES AND CLASS POLICIES:

- Students are expected to attend class regularly and read the material in the textbook.
- Students will take tests (covering text material and lecture notes) and turn in assignments on time.
- Students should reduce distractions in the classroom by refraining from private discussions with other students and by turning off cell phones, iPods, and beepers during class. No texting.
- A schedule of classroom activities will be given to each student at the beginning of the semester.
- Cheating policy: Students are expected to complete their own work and academic dishonesty will not be tolerated. (See MC Catalog & Handbook for college policy.) The minimum penalty for academic dishonesty will be failure on that assignment. Information should be put in your own words and references should be cited. Quoted material must include quotation marks and cited sources.

- Instructors cannot drop students with a “W”. This must be accomplished officially by the student in the registrar’s office.

EVALUATION OF STUDENTS:

Final grades will be determined according to the following criteria:

- Tests will consist of questions based on assigned reading material and lectures. A variety of testing methods may be used including essay exams, multiple choice and short answer questions. Some evaluation must be completed through writing. It is the student’s responsibility to know their individual instructor’s grading policy.
- The grading system used in class will be discussed during the first week of the class. Grades are determined by the method determined by the instructor.
- Make Up exam policy is at the discretion of the instructor, except when the student is absent on official College business or activity. The testing center may be used for make- up exams.

COURSE SCHEDULE: Each instructor will include a class schedule here outlining the topics for the course.

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