





Sociology (SOCI) 287

Introduction to Sociology I (Revision 6)

Status:

Replaced with new revision, see the [course listing](#)  for the current revision 

Delivery mode:

Individualized study online 

Credits:

3

Areas of study:

Arts or Social Science

Prerequisites:

None


Precluded:

None

Challenge:

SOCI 287 has a challenge for credit option.

Faculty:

Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences




Overview

Sociology 287 introduces students to the critical study of society. In this course you will learn about socialization, culture, race and ethnicity, gender, and the family. The goals of this course are to increase your awareness of the realities that surround us, and to provide you with the tools you need to move forward with a sensible understanding of the world you live in. Sociology 287 is an excellent, entertaining, and exciting introduction to the fascinating and enlightening study of sociology.

Outline


- Unit 1: Introduction to Sociology
- Unit 2: Research Methods
- Unit 3: Culture
- Unit 4: Socialization and Social Rules
- Unit 5: Deviance
- Unit 6: The Family
- Unit 7: Social Inequality and Stratification
- Unit 8: Race and Ethnicity
- Unit 9: Gender
- Unit 10: Conclusion


Evaluation

To **receive credit**  for SOCI 287, you must achieve a course composite grade of at least **D (50 percent)**  and a grade of 50 percent on the final examination. The weighting of the composite grade is as follows:

Activity	Weight
5 Short Project Assignments	50%
Research Essay Proposal	15%

Activity	Weight
Final Exam	35%
Total	100%

The **final examination** for this course must be requested in advance and written under the supervision of an AU-approved exam invigilator. Invigilators include either ProctorU or an approved in-person invigilation centre that can accommodate online exams. Students are responsible for payment of any invigilation fees. Information on exam request deadlines, invigilators, and other exam-related questions, can be found at the [Exams and grades](#)  section of the Calendar.

To learn more about assignments and examinations, please refer to Athabasca University's [online Calendar](#) .

Materials

Steckley, John, and Letts, Guy Kirby. (2020). *Elements of Sociology: A Critical Canadian Introduction* (5th ed.). Don Mills, ON: Oxford University

Press.  (Print)

Sharp, Michael. (2018). *The Rocket Scientists' Guide to Money and the Economy: Accumulation and Debt*. St. Albert, AB: Lightning Path

Press.  (PDF)

Hathaway, William T. (2015). *Lila, The Revolutionary*. St Albert, AB: Avatar

Publications.  (Print)

Nibley, Lydia. (2010). *Two Spirits*. Cinema Guild.  (Audio/Video)

Other Materials

The course materials include an online study guide.

Challenge for credit

Overview

The challenge for credit process allows you to demonstrate that you have acquired a command of the general subject matter, knowledge, intellectual and/or other skills that would normally be found in a university-level course.

Full information about **challenge for credit** [↗](#) can be found in the Undergraduate Calendar.

Evaluation

For more information please contact the **course coordinator** .



Challenge for credit course registration form

Important links

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- › [Academic advising](#) [↗](#)
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