

DEREE COLLEGE SYLLABUS FOR: SO 3148 SELECTED TOPICS IN CONTEMPORARY SOCIOLOGY							
Spring 2022	UK LEVEL 5 UK CREDITS: 15 US CREDITS: 3/0/3						
PREREQUISITES:	SO 1000 Introduction to Sociology OR SO 1001 Sociology of Modern Life						
CATALOG DESCRIPTION:	Selection of topics from a variety of contemporary sociology. Detailed focus on a subject not covered, or not covered in depth in the curriculum of Sociology.						
RATIONALE:	This course invites students to the ever-alert, critical and reflective study of the transformation and change of the social world. In underlying the significance of the continuous enrichment and diversity in contemporary sociology, this course offers students the unique opportunity to focus on a selected topic related to contemporary society. The instructor and subject of the course will change from year to year in accordance with the expertise of the department's faculty and guests.						
LEARNING OUTCOMES:	As a result of taking this course, the students should be able to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Develop an in-depth understanding of the diversity of contemporary sociology. 2. Identify the sociological significance of specialized topics in contemporary sociology. 3. Interpret key texts and case studies related to diverse topics in contemporary sociology. 4. Discover alternative ways of studying specific phenomena in contemporary society. 						
METHOD OF TEACHING AND LEARNING:	In congruence with the teaching and learning strategy of the college, the following tools are used: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Seminar-structured classes (Classes consist of lectures, discussions of selected issues, in-class discussion of video documentaries and class discussions on specified readings). — Office Hours: Students are encouraged to make full use of the office hours of their instructor, where they can ask questions and go over lecture material. — Use of Blackboard, where instructors post lecture notes, assignment instructions, timely announcements, as well as additional resources. 						
ASSESSMENT:	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td colspan="2">Summative:</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="width: 80%;">First assessment: Open to Instructor's choice (e.g., group project, midterm exam, portfolio, oral presentation).</td> <td style="text-align: center;">40%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Second Assessment: Research Paper</td> <td style="text-align: center;">60%</td> </tr> </table>	Summative:		First assessment: Open to Instructor's choice (e.g., group project, midterm exam, portfolio, oral presentation).	40%	Second Assessment: Research Paper	60%
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COMMUNICATION REQUIREMENTS:	All written work must be word-processed on Word		
SOFTWARE REQUIREMENTS:	Word, Blackboard		
WWW RESOURCES:	Vary according to course subject		
INDICATIVE CONTENT:	<p>Varies according to course subject. Includes but is not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Sociology of culture — Sociology of youth — Sociology of fashion — Sociology of the body — Sociology of identity — Sociology of gender and sexuality — Sociology of education — Sociology of development — Sociology and human rights — Sociology and social policy — Sociology and social work — Sociology of organizations — Sociology of surveillance and forms of policing — Political sociology — Sociology of terrorism and war 		