

SYLLUBUS

COURSE: SOC 4000, Problems in Sociology

CREDIT HOURS:

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PREREQUISITES: None

TIME OF CLASS

Various meetings: TBA; Required travel from May 2021.

DESCRIPTION AND OBJECTIVES

The course is designed to help candidates examine how diversity and culture influence students and guide individuals toward a better understanding of the global society. This exploration will provide a foundation for enlightened citizenship and effective understanding within a multicultural society. This course includes a travel abroad experience.

By the end of this course the candidate will:

- Demonstrate intercultural awareness and communication.
- Tailor communication strategies based on cultural norms and values.
- Demonstrate effective engagement in the community, both locally and globally.

COURSE OUTLINE

SCHEDULE: Course meetings will take place throughout the Spring 2020 semester in order to prepare students for the experience, review goals and clarify expectations. Class will officially begin May 17th, 2020 to prepare for departure and finalize all plans. Class will travel to destination and return on May 29th, 2020.

CLASS REQUIREMENTS: Students shall complete a journal to include daily schedules, personal experiences and cultural experiences for each day of the journey. After completion of the trip, students shall prepare a power point presentation to include no less than 10 informational slides and 20 picture slides describing their learning experience. Included in the presentation shall be the students pre-trip expectations and perceptions, favorite experiences while traveling and how the trip altered his/her views of different cultures/countries. An oral presentation shall accompany the power point presentation and shall be no less than 10 minutes, no more than 20 minutes in length.

ACADEMIC DISHONESTY

Academic integrity is required in every aspect of a student's association with OPSU. Students will respect OPSU's commitment to academic integrity and uphold the values of honesty and responsibility that preserve our academic community. Students are expected to demonstrate academic integrity through the following actions: • understand and uphold the academic integrity guidelines established by the university and instructors. • present their own work for evaluation by their instructors. • appropriately cite the words and ideas of others. • protect their responsibility for their own actions. • accept the responsibility for their own actions. • treat instructors with respect when violations of academic integrity are examined.

GRADING /POLICIES

Students shall be graded in the following manner before, during and after the class period.

- Pre-trip meetings, communication and preparation for class/trip
- Personal actions while attending the class/trip
- Personal Experience Journal
- Post Trip - Final Presentation

SPECIAL NEEDS STUDENTS:

Disabilities: Requests for accommodations for disabilities should be made prior to the start of the semester through the Counseling Office – HMH 141 (academic, i.e. learning disabilities, physical, i.e. mobility, vision, hearing). However, if you think you have a disability and are in need of special accommodations, the instructor will work with you to provide a reasonable accommodation to ensure that you have a fair opportunity to perform well in this class. Please advise the instructor of such disability and the desired accommodation at some point before, during, or immediately after the first scheduled class period and he/she will contact the Counseling Office.