

	<p style="text-align: center;"> School of Arts & Science SOCIAL SCIENCES DEPARTMENT SOC 162 Social Problems Quarter or Semester/Year </p>
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COURSE OUTLINE

The course description is online @ <http://camosun.ca/learn/calendar/current/web/soc.html>

Ω Please note: the College electronically stores this outline for five (5) years only.
It is **strongly recommended** you keep a copy of this outline with your academic records.
You will need this outline for any future application/s for transfer credit/s to other colleges/universities.

1. Instructor Information

(a)	Instructor:	Dr. Alex Ipe		
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2. Intended Learning Outcomes

(No changes are to be made to these Intended Learning Outcomes as approved by Camosun College's Education Council.)

Upon completion of this course the student will be able to:

1. Critically assess the major theoretical perspectives on social problems.
2. Apply various sociological theories to the analysis of contemporary social problems, to see patterns and processes rather than isolated facts, and to interpret events in the broader framework of societal structure.
3. Demonstrate an ability to think critically and to communicate ideas effectively in writing.

3. Required Materials

- (a) Texts Kendall, Diane, et. al, **Social Problems in a Diverse Society** 2nd Canadian Edition. Pearson Education Canada.
- (b) Other

4. Course Content and Schedule

(This section can include: class hours, lab hours, out of class requirements and/or dates for quizzes, exams, lectures, labs, seminars, practicums, etc.)

TENTATIVE COURSE SCHEDULE OF TOPICS

WEEK	DATE	TOPICS	READINGS
1	January	Class Introduction What is Sociology? What are Social Problems	Chapter 1
2		Social Theory	Chapter 1
3		Qualitative Research Methods	Chapter 1
4		Quantitative Research Methods	Chapter 1
5	February	MIDTERM Test 1	
6		Ethnicity and Race	Chapter 3

7		Gender Inequality	Chapter 4
8		Wealth and Poverty	Chapter 2
9	March	MIDTERM Test 2	
10		Alcohol & Drugs	Chapter 8
11		Crime & Criminal Justice	Chapter 9
12***		Health & Illness (If time Permits)***	Chapter 10
	FINAL TEST	Scheduled For The Last Day Of Class	

5. Basis of Student Assessment (Weighting)

(This section should be directly linked to the Intended Learning Outcomes.)

STUDENT EVALUATION:

OPTION 1:

	<u>Due Date</u>	<u>Weight</u>
Midterm Test 1	February	30%
Midterm Test 2	March	35%
3 Discussion Reviews	See Schedule of Topics	20%
Final Test	Last Day of Class	15%

OPTION 2:

Midterm Test 1	February	20%
Midterm Test 2	March	20%
3 Discussion Reviews	See Schedule of Topics	20%
Essay	Late March	30%
Final Test	Last Day of Class	10%

In Class Test #1 and #2 and #3 (85% or 50%)¹

The tests will consist of approximately 20-30 multiple-choice questions, plus an essay component; the essay questions will be made available to students before the test. The dates of the tests will be announced in class. There is no final exam in this class, just a final test. **The tests themselves are NOT cumulative.**

The tests can potentially ask ANY question related to issues discussed in class, the textbook, or presented in in-class videos. The rule of thumb for tests is: BE READY FOR ANYTHING!!!

6. Grading System

(No changes are to be made to this section unless the Approved Course Description has been forwarded through the Education Council of Camosun College for approval.)

Standard Grading System (GPA)

Percentage	Grade	Description	Grade Point Equivalency
90-100	A+		9

85-89	A		8
80-84	A-		7
77-79	B+		6
73-76	B		5
70-72	B-		4
65-69	C+		3
60-64	C		2
50-59	D	Minimum level of achievement for which credit is granted; a course with a "D" grade cannot be used as a prerequisite.	1
0-49	F	Minimum level has not been achieved.	0

Temporary Grades

Temporary grades are assigned for specific circumstances and will convert to a final grade according to the grading scheme being used in the course. See Grading Policy E-1.5 at camosun.ca for information on conversion to final grades, and for additional information on student record and transcript notations.

Temporary Grade	Description
I	<i>Incomplete:</i> A temporary grade assigned when the requirements of a course have not yet been completed due to hardship or extenuating circumstances, such as illness or death in the family.
IP	<i>In progress:</i> A temporary grade assigned for courses that, due to design may require a further enrollment in the same course. No more than two IP grades will be assigned for the same course. <i>(For these courses a final grade will be assigned to either the 3rd course attempt or at the point of course completion.)</i>
CW	<i>Compulsory Withdrawal:</i> A temporary grade assigned by a Dean when an instructor, after documenting the prescriptive strategies applied and consulting with peers, deems that a student is unsafe to self or others and must be removed from the lab, practicum, worksite, or field placement.

7. Recommended Materials or Services to Assist Students to Succeed Throughout the Course

LEARNING SUPPORT AND SERVICES FOR STUDENTS

There are a variety of services available for students to assist them throughout their learning. This information is available in the College calendar, at Student Services, or the College web site at camosun.ca.

STUDENT CONDUCT POLICY

There is a Student Conduct Policy **which includes plagiarism**. It is the student's responsibility to become familiar with the content of this policy. The policy is available in each School Administration Office, at Student Services, and the College web site in the Policy Section.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS AS APPROPRIATE OR AS REQUIRED