Introduction to Sociology 201-10 Assignments at a Glance Spring 2014 Instructor Chuck Newman

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Assignment	Due Date	Points	Check when completed
 General Class Information Welcome Syllabus Assignment Sheet / All Projects results are posted on Google + Online Presence PowerPoint Presentation Divide into groups Dismiss Class Attendance Chapter 1 	01/30/2014	25 pts.	
 Post on Google + about a time that your cell phone saved the day or a time when it ruined the day? To illustrate the power of social facts, use a news segment highlighting the case of a man who decided to take his wife's maiden name as his last name and the "resistance" he encountered. The YouTube title is "Baby Has No Birth Certificate Following Dad's Name Change" and the link is: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qZkAE68XD1c	02/00/2014	25 pts.	
 Comment on one Google + Posting. Your posting should present one critical thinking question. Group 1 and 2 Project: Although Karl Marx died in 1883, he is very much in the news. Go to Google News and use the search term "Karl Marx." Read 4-5 articles and summarize how Marx/Marxist ideas are portrayed (e.g., are his ideas treated with respect or is he 		10 pts.	
 Group 3 and 4 Project: No Borders, No Boundary: The "No Borders, No Boundary" section describes 4 positions about how globalization affects cultures and communities. Read the box and indicate which of the four positions relates to what they have observed about globalization. Page 23 		50 pts.	

Class Attendance:		25 pts.	
Chapter 2	02/13/2014		
Post on Google +: For different views of the border		25 pts.	
barriers, go to Google images and plug in the key words			
"U.SMexico border fence" or "U.SMexico border			
barriers."			
• Comment on one Google + Posting. Your posting should		10 pts.	
present one critical thinking question.			
Group 1 and 2 Project: Notice that there are more than		50 pts.	
20,000 border patrol agents assigned to the U.S			
Mexico border. There are about 1,400 agents assigned			
to the Canada-U.S. border, which is twice as long. Think			
about why this might be.			
Group 3 and 4 Project: For a visual representation of		50 pts.	
the border and its militarization, view the following			
videos: (Inside CBP Video: Sharing Border Safety			
Expertise with Mexico)			
**Locate link on Class Web page.			
 Your reaction to the following videos (Come up with 10 			
critical Thinking Questions).			
Class Attendance		25 pts.	
Chapter 3	02/20/2014		
Browse the internet for a handbook issued by	,,	25 pts.	
international students attending college in the United		-5	
States. Typically these handbooks include a section that			
prepares international students for living in the United			
States.			
What about American culture is emphasized as			
something that might take some adjustment on the			
part of the student? (One example of a typical			
handbook can be found at			
http://uwf.edu/internationaloffice/pdf/ISO Handbook.			
pdf) Read how to handle Culture Shock . Post on			
Google +.			
 Comment on one Google + Posting. Your posting should 		10 pts.	
present one critical thinking question.			
Group 1 and 2 Project: To learn more about South		50 pts.	
Korean culture, Visit the English language online			
version of the <i>Korean Herald</i> (a newspaper). Are there			
stories/headlines that offer insights about cultural			
differences? What about cultural similarities with the			
United States?			
Group 3 and 4 Project: ABC News produced a series of		50 pts.	
videos about life in North Korea. Each is about two			

	minutes in length. Use the search term "ABC News		
	Sacred Ground Kim Jong II's Birthplace" for a profile of		
	the leader and his policies. For a second video on North		
	Korean films, use the search terms "ABC News North		
	Korea's Tinsel town." Consider what you reviewedin		
	relationship to culture, North Korea and the United States.		
•	Class Attendance		25 pts.
		02/27/2014	25 pts.
	Chapter 4	02/2//2014	25 mts
•	Two years into the construction of the West Bank		25 pts.
	Barrier, PBS News hour correspondent Elizabeth		
	Farnsworth talked to Israelis and Palestinians to learn		
	their views. To access the video, go to the News hour		
	website (<u>www.pbs.org/newshour</u>) and enter search		
	terms "Two Views of the West Bank Barrier." Review		
	the video and post your thoughts on Google +.		
•	Comment on one Google + Posting. Your posting should		10 pts.
	present one critical thinking question.		'
			50 pts.
	Group 1 and 2 Project: Importance of Social Contact:		30 pts.
	Technology Tip: For some compelling photographs of		
	the West Bank Wall and Israeli settlements, go to		
	Google images and enter those terms. Review photo		
	and then relate what stories you may see in the		
	photographs.		
•	Group 3 and 4 Project: To illustrate the reach and		50 pts.
	influence of Sesame Street, go to Google News and		
	enter "Sesame Street" as a search term. The search will		
	likely yield hundreds of news stories. Just reading title		
	of news stories will offer insights.		
	Class Attendance		25 pts.
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•	Chapter 6	03/06/2014	25
•	Review on page 146 "Statistical Measure of		25 pts.
	Performance." Read and record your thoughts on		
	Google +.		
•	Comment on one Google + Posting. Your posting should		10 pts.
	present one critical thinking question.		
•	Group 1 through 4 Project: Review hand out "Protean		50 pts.
	Workplace" and compare with above article.		
•	Class Attendance		25 pts.
	Chapter 7	03/13/2014	
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	In light of sociologist J.L. Simmons' study, name a		23 μισ.
	behavior that was once deviant and is now no longer		
	considered as such. Post on Google+		10
•	Comment on one Google + Posting. Your posting should		10 pts.
	present one critical thinking question.		
•	Group 1 and 2 Project: Spend some time looking at the		50 pts.

	bar graphs in the chapter. Note that the U.S.			
	incarceration rates far exceed that of any other country			
	in the world. Enter "Google News" search engine to			
	find news articles from around the U.S. on			
	"incarceration rates." Do the articles offer any insights			
	as to why U.S. rates are the highest in the world?			
•	Group 3 and 4 Project: Figure 7.2 is a flowchart		50 pts.	
	outlining the process by which a behavior is noticed,			
	labeled, and punished. Group is to write an account of			
	a situation that follows the logic of this flowchart. Note,			
	the situation may be about a behavior that was not			
	noticed, or not labeled as a violation of norms.			
•	Class Attendance		25 pts.	
•	Chapter 8	03/20/2014		
•	For the complete text of the <i>Communist Manifesto</i> go		25 pts.	
	to			
	www.anu.edu.au/polsci/marx/classics/manifesto.html.			
	Read and pick out one or two sentences that seem to			
	describe today's economic situation. Post on Google +		40.	
•	Comment on one Google + Posting. Your posting should		10 pts.	
	present one critical thinking question.		50 .	
•	Group 1 and 2 Project: For an excellent case study of		50 pts.	
	poverty in America among rural whites produced by			
	PBS check out "Tammy's Story" at			
	www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q8VXrHeLqBA.			
	Research what changes may have taken place since			
	the production of this story?		50 pts.	
•	Group 3 and 4 Project: Share any personal examples to		oo pts.	
	contribute to the Sociological Imagination box in this			
	chapter on the personal impact of economic			
	restructuring.		25 pts.	
•	Class Attendance	02/27/2014	25 pts.	
•	Chapter 9	03/27/2014	25 pts.	
•	Comedian Chris Rock's comedy-documentary <i>Good</i>		23 μις.	
	Hair can be used to illustrate the concept of stigma and			
	efforts to correct a perceived failing. The trailer to this film can be accessed at			
	http://www.imdb.com/title/tt1213585/ Post your thoughts on Google +.			
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	Comment on one Google + Posting. Your posting should present one critical thinking question.		10 pts.	
	Group 1 through 4 Project: For an interesting interview		50 pts.	
	with a Arab-American/Muslim American comedian who		p .c.	
	is working to overcome discrimination and			
	stereotyping through humor, go to www.npr.org and			
	enter the title "Muslim Comedian Aims at Breaking			
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	Stereotypes" into the search engine. What are your		
	thoughts concerning what you viewed in relationship to		
	the issues we face with American and Muslims.		
•	Class Attendance		25 pts.
•	Chapter 10	04/03/2014	
•	Study the photographs on page 255 and to consider the		25 pts.
	questions asked in each caption. Post your thoughts on		
	Google +.		
•	Comment on one Google + Posting. Your posting should		10 pts.
	present one critical thinking question.		
•	Group 1 and 2 Project : Comment on their memories of		50 pts.
	sex education classes you had in middle school and		
	high school. In what ways were the classes effective or		
	not effective?		
•	Group 3 and 4 Project : Name some unearned privileges		50 pts.
	and penalties that come with being male or female.		
	Class Attendance		25 pts.
•	Chapter 11		
•	Take a survey that measures happiness at	04/17/2014	25 pts.
	http://sustainableseattle.org/survey/GNH/en/. The		
	survey covers a variety of happiness dimensions		
	including psychological well-being, health, work-life		
	balance, and social connections. Post your thoughts on		
	Google+.		
•	Comment on one Google + Posting. Your posting should		10 pts.
	present one critical thinking question.		
•	Group 1 through 4 Project: The documentary, The		50 pts.
	Other Side of Outsourcing, considers outsourcing in the		
	context of Indian culture and larger economic		
	structure. It is available online. Use a search engine to		
	find it on YouTube. Consider what you reviewed in		
	relationship to the economic issues we face in the		
	United States.		
•	Class Attendance		25 pts.
•	Chapter 12	04/24/2014	
•	Read the bullet-point items in this section in which		25 pts.
	college students reflect on tensions between career		
	and raising families. Do these reflections capture their		
	views on this? If yes, how so? If not, why not? Page 316		
	2 nd column (three bullet points) Post on Google +.		
•	Comment on one Google + Posting. Your posting should		10 pts.
	present one critical thinking question.		
•	Class Attendance		25 pts.
•	Chapter 13	05/01/2014	
•	Demands on Schools and Teachers: Teaching Tip: The		50 pts.
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text points out that throughout U.S. history; it seems as if public education "has always been in a state of crisis and under reform." To illustrate the extent to which education-related issues are covered in the news, enter "education" into the Google News search engine, and point to the number of entries that are returned (well over 100,000 news items). Scan some of the headlines, and comment on the various issues covered. Post your thoughts on Google +.		10 pts.	
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present one critical thinking question.			
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Chapter 14	05/08/13		
Do you have any non-Christian religious affiliation or		25 pts.	
are you close to someone who practices a religion			
other than Christianity. What is the relationship like?			
Post your thoughts on Google +			
Comment on one Google + Posting. Your posting should	,	10 pts.	
present one critical thinking question.			
Group 1 through 4 Project: Essential Features of		50 pts.	
Religion: After reading about Durkheim's definition of			
church, browse Google News for articles about the			
activities of churches, in the broadest sense of the			
word. Use key words, such as "church," "synagogue,"			
"temple," or "mosque" to find an interesting article			
that describes some practice, belief, or shared identity			
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of a "moral community." Reflect on what you have read. Class Attendance Class Attendance Critical Thinking Posting Individual Assignments Project Assignments	14@25 pts. 13@10 pts. 12@25 pts. 12@50 pts.	25 pts. 350 pts. 130 pts. 300 pts. 600 pts.	