

Macionis, Society: The Basics 14th edition

Sample Syllabus

This sample syllabus reflects all the chapters in Society: The Basics, 14th edition. Keep the chapters you wish to include in your course and delete the others and add or delete material to suit your own course. This syllabus also identifies just some of the additional teaching material available to you, including author-written “cutting-edge Power Point presentations” for every chapter. Students using REVEL, the low-cost electronic version of the text, benefit from additional interactive learning material, which is listed in the text’s Instructor’s Manual, where you will also find great video suggestions and a wealth of other teaching material. This IM, along with all other teaching resources for instructors, have been prepared for you by John Macionis. Teaching resources are available at

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Chapter 1 Sociology: Perspective, Theory, and Method

Cutting-Edge Classroom Power Point Presentations:

- (1) Why Have Marriage Rates Fallen in the Last Fifty Years?
- (2) Sociological Investigation: The General Social Survey

Readings in REVEL: Harriet Martineau, “Society in America”

Social Explorer Discovery Activity in REVEL:

- (1) Does Durkheim’s Theory of Suicide Still Apply Today?
- (2) Social Explorer Discovery Activity in REVEL: Explore Minority Populations across the United States

Chapter 2 Culture

Cutting-Edge Classroom Power Point Presentation: The U.S. Foreign-Born Population

Readings in REVEL: Charis Kubrin, “Gangstas, Thugs, and Hustlas: The Code of the Streets in Rap Music”

Social Explorer Discovery Activity in REVEL: Explore the Foreign-Born Population across the United States

Chapter 3 Socialization

Cutting-Edge Classroom Power Point Presentation: Can the Mass Media Influence Behavior in a Positive Way?

Readings in REVEL: Kingsley Davis: “Final Note on a Case of Extreme Isolation”
Social Explorer Discovery Activity in REVEL: Explore the Racially-Mixed Population across the United States

Chapter 4 Social Interaction in Everyday Life

Cutting-Edge Classroom Power Point Presentation: How Does the Increasing Use of Texting Affect Face-to-Face Interaction
Readings in REVEL: Judith Lorber, “Night to His Day: The Social Construction of Gender”
Social Explorer Discovery Activity in REVEL: How Education Shapes Reality Construction across the United States

Chapter 5 Groups and Organizations

Cutting-Edge Classroom Power Point Presentation: Fixing a Toxic Work World: Stand Up for Care!
Readings in REVEL: Georg Simmel, “Dyads, Triads, and Larger Groups”
Social Explorer Discovery Activity in REVEL: Membership in the Military across the United States

Chapter 6 Sexuality and Society

Cutting-Edge Classroom Power Point Presentation: Restrooms: The Pursuit of Social Justice
Readings in REVEL: Alice Leuchtag, “Human Rights, Sex Trafficking, and Prostitution”
Social Explorer Discovery Activity in REVEL: Explore Teen Pregnancy Rates across the United States

Chapter 7 Deviance

Cutting-Edge Classroom Power Point Presentation: Is it Dangerous to be Black and Drive?
Readings in REVEL: Jeffrey Reiman, “The Rich Get Richer, the Poor Get Prison”
Social Explorer Discovery Activity in REVEL: Explore the Share of the Population in Prison across the United States

Part III. Social Inequality

Chapter 8 Social Stratification

Cutting-Edge Classroom Power Point Presentation: The Geography of Car Deaths in the United States
Readings in REVEL:
(1) Kingsley Davis and Wilbert Moore, “Some Principles of Stratification” with a critical response by Melvin Tumin
(2) Greg Mantsios, “Media Magic”
Social Explorer Discovery Activity in REVEL: Explore Dimensions of Social Inequality across the United States

Social Explorer Discovery Activity in REVEL:

- (1) Explore the Share of People Living in Poverty across the United States
- (2) Explore Dimension of Social Inequality across the United States

Chapter 9 Global Inequality

Cutting-Edge Classroom Power Point Presentation: Hans Rosling: The Change in Global Poverty from 1800 to 2015

Readings in REVEL: Branko Milanovic, "More or Less"

Social Explorer Discovery Activity in REVEL: Explore Which Regions of the Country Attract the Most Immigrants

Chapter 10 Gender Stratification

Cutting-Edge Classroom Power Point Presentation: The "Tech Gender Gap"

Readings in REVEL: Eileen Patton and Kim Parker, "Women in the U.S. Military: Growing Share Distinctive Profile."

Social Explorer Discovery Activity in REVEL: Explore the share of women in business, management, and finance across the United States

Chapter 11 Race and Ethnicity

Cutting-Edge Classroom Power Point Presentation: Defining "Multiracial" ...It's Complicated

Readings in REVEL: W.E.B. DuBois, "The Souls of Black Folk"

Social Explorer Discovery Activity in REVEL: Explore the share of minorities in the population across the United States

Part IV. Social Institutions

Chapter 12 Economics and Politics

Cutting-Edge Classroom Power Point Presentation:

- (1) Should We Raise the Minimum Wage?
- (2) Millennials: Social Media and Political Polarization...or Not?

Readings in REVEL:

- (1) Susan Berfield, "More Than Half of Wal-Mart's Hourly Workers Make Less than \$25,000"
- (2) C. Wright Mills, "The Power Elite"

Social Explorer Discovery Activity in REVEL:

- (1) Explore the extent of unemployment across the United States
- (2) Explore Voting Patterns across the United States

Chapter 13 Family and Religion

Cutting-Edge Classroom Power Point Presentation:

- (1) China's Two-Child Policy: What Does It Mean for Families?

(2) The Pew Religious Landscape Study: Five Key Findings About Religion in the United States
Readings in REVEL:

(1) Stephanie Coontz, “How History and Sociology Can Help Today’s Families”

(2) Max Weber, “Asceticism and the Spirit of Capitalism”

Social Explorer Discovery Activity in REVEL:

(1) Explore the Extent of Single-Parent Families across the United States

(2) Explore Patterns of Religious Membership across the United States

Chapter 14 Education, Health, and Medicine

Cutting-Edge Classroom Power Point Presentation:

(1) Cell Phones in Class

(2) Increasing Midlife Mortality: What Does It Say About U.S. Society?

Readings in REVEL:

(1) Sarah Garland, “English Learners Still Far Behind Under English-Only Law”

(2) Greg Crister, “Let Them Eat Fat: The Heavy Truths about American Obesity”

Social Explorer Discovery Activity in REVEL:

(1) Explore the Extent of Schooling across the United States

(2) Explore Patterns of Health across the United States

Chapter 15 Population, Urbanization, and the Environment

Cutting-Edge Classroom Power Point Presentation: Will Saving Poor Children Lead to Overpopulation?

Readings in REVEL:

(1) Ferdinand Tönnies, “*Gemeinschaft and Gesellschaft*”

(2) United Nations, “World Urbanization Prospects: The 2014 Revision”

Social Explorer Discovery Activity in REVEL: Explore Population Density across the United States

Chapter 16 Social Change: Traditional, Modern, and Postmodern Societies

Cutting-Edge Classroom Power Point Presentation:

(1) Social Movements and Social Media: #BlackLivesMatter

(2) Dating in the Digital Age

Readings in REVEL: Robert Putnam, “Bowling Alone: America’s Declining Social Capital”

Discovery Activity in REVEL: Explore Residential Stability across the United States