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Descriptive Title

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student for the general matter and perspectives of sociology

The course investigates the relations of the individual to society

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SOCIOLOGY 125	SOCIAL PROBLEMS
I. Descriptive Form:	
N. Textbooks and Materials to be Purchased by Students (use descriptive form)	
O. Method of Instruction: R. Course Evaluation	
<p>O. Course Objectives:</p> <p>At the conclusion of the course, the student will be able to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Define the basic concepts of sociology and communicate these effectively. 2. Identify key historical contributions to the development of the discipline and discuss the significant contributions to the field. 3. Be able to identify characteristics of the sociological perspective and to distinguish this from that of other scientific perspectives. 4. Identify and compare the dominant sociological theoretical perspectives. 5. Describe the characteristics of stratification systems, with particular emphasis on social class. 6. Describe the changes in race and ethnicity. 7. Identify some of the primary changes in social and economic organization which have taken place both historically, and in recent years. 8. Identify some of the primary changes in contemporary demography, and describe how they differ from traditional demographic characteristics. 9. Describe the development of social institutions in Canadian society with respect to family, education, religion, and government. 10. Discuss some of the key features of contemporary demographic change, and describe how they differ from traditional demographic characteristics. 11. Discuss the characteristics of the processes of social change and modernization in Canada and on a global basis. 	

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P. Course Content

1. Introduction: The Foundations of Sociology

The historical development of sociology

Sociology as a science
Theoretical Perspectives

Social Structure and Social Interaction

Cultural diversity

Status, roles, values, norms

The social construction of reality

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The presentation of self

2. Culture

3. Socialization

Stages and Processes of Socialization

Agents of socialization: family, peers, school, media

Gauge and class systems; achievement and ascription

Theoretical perspectives on social inequality

Dimensions of inequality: age, gender, race and ethnicity

Inequality and social conflict

Social classes in Canada: poverty

Historical development of economic systems

Comparative economic systems

World in the post-industrial society

5. Sociological Categories: Sex, Race, and Ethnicity

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