

社會學 05 班

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1. Course description

This course introduces students to reasoning critically and scientifically to examine social forces and processes that shape our personalities, institutions, culture, and society.

2. Weekly Schedule

Week 1 Sociological imagination

- *Illustrate sociological imagination through understanding poverty*

Week 2 Sociological Research Methods

- *Inquire into the topic “Is sociology a science?” and the rationales*

Week 3 Deviance and Criminology

- *Explaining crime using sexual harassment as a case study.*

Week 4 Social class

Week 5 Gender

- *Is being a woman different than a man?*
- *How does gender change in modern societies, especially in East Asian countries?*

Week 6 Race and Ethnicities

- *Illustrate inequalities based on race and ethnicities from the sociohistorical approach.*
- *Illustrate with cases from US’s (new) Jim Crow to China’s Urghur policies*

Week 7 Mid-term

Week 8 Economy and Work

- *Discuss concept of work under capitalism*
- *Illustrate how slash (斜槓) career evolves as a post-work way of life*

Week 9 Family

- *Discuss phenomenon of delayed marriage, non-marriage, and childless lifestyle in Taiwan*

Week 10 Education

- *Center on the discussions about whether education is an equalizer.*

Week 11 Social movements

- *Why are there social movements? Does it only happen in non-democratic countries?*
- *Case discussion on Anti-extradition bill movement in Hong Kong*

Week 12 Development and Globalization

- *Video watching: First Train Home*

Week 13 Presentation Preparation

Week 14 Poster presentation

Week 15 Reading week for final exam

Week 16 Final exam

3. Textbooks

A Sociological Experiment (Free and Open access)

<https://sociologyexperiment.com/>

4. Assessment

Mid-term 30%

Final 30%

Presentation 40%