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Online Course Information Form

Course Number: SOC2003

Course Title: Intro to Sociology

Course Description: This course is a comprehensive overview of sociology. It examines ways in which our beliefs, values, behaviors, and emotions are shaped by social forces and social institutions.

Instructor: Kim Coker

Instructor Bio: Full Time SAU Tech Director of Communications and Public Relations

Prerequisite: None

Textbook Title: **Introduction to Sociology by Laurence Basirico, Barbara Cashion and J. Ross Eshleman by BTV Publishing ISBN 978-1-60229-994-8**

Learning Outcomes:

1. The student will be able to understand social foundations by defining basic sociological concepts.
2. The student will be able to understand social dynamics and the processes that account for social stability and change.
3. The student will be able to understand social divisions to aid in identifying social inequalities.
4. The student will be able to think critically in applying sociological concepts and perspectives to an analysis of major social institutions.

Teaching Methodology, including description of interaction between student and instructor:

This class is a web-based class that includes completion of assignments, and email. In addition, students will demonstrate comprehension of the subject matter by successfully completing unit exams and a final exam.

Methods of Testing: Blackboard Online Exams

Special Attendance Requirements (student contact with instructor, proctored examinations, etc.):

Regular email contact with the instructor is required. The final examination must be taken at an approved proctored site.

Other Considerations (writing ability, assignments/projects, time considerations, etc.)

The ability to think critically and apply the basic terminology of sociology to real-life events in an essential skill for this class. Time management and self-discipline is an absolute necessity for this class.