

# Introduction to Sociology

## Course Outline Sample

### Course Overview

This course introduces students to the study of society, social institutions, and social relationships. Students will explore sociological theories, concepts, and research methods to better understand human behavior in a social context.

### Course Objectives

- Identify key sociological theories and concepts.
- Understand the structure and dynamics of social groups, organizations, and societies.
- Examine the impact of culture, socialization, and social change.
- Analyze issues related to inequality, race, class, gender, and ethnicity.
- Apply sociological perspectives to current social issues.

### Weekly Topics

Week	Topic
1	Introduction to Sociology and the Sociological Imagination
2	Sociological Theory and Research Methods
3	Culture and Society
4	Socialization and the Life Course
5	Groups, Networks, and Organizations
6	Social Stratification and Class
7	Race, Ethnicity, and Inequality
8	Gender and Sexuality
9	Deviance and Social Control
10	Social Institutions: Family, Education, Religion
11	Politics, Economy, and Work
12	Globalization and Social Change

### Assessment Methods

- Quizzes & Exams
- Written Assignments
- Class Participation
- Final Project

### Required Readings

- Introduction to Sociology (latest edition)
- Selected journal articles and online resources