

# Sociology 1303: Social Problems



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### Office Hours

My office is located in A104B. Hours are:

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. MWF  
10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. MW  
12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. MW  
8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. TT  
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### Additional Information

#### The Course Website

Information for this course is available on the Internet at:

[kstewart.pageout.net](http://kstewart.pageout.net).

You will get handouts, complete exams, and track your grades from the Internet.

Registration is required immediately to use the course website. The registration password is S1303.

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### Course Materials

**Sociology 1303  
Social Problems**

### Texts

D. Stanley Eitzen, Maxine Baca Zinn, and Kelly Eitzen Smith  
*Social Problems*, 11th edition (Boston: Allyn and Bacon, 2009).

### Course Goals

This course is to analyze social problems and public policies concerning their solutions.

### Course Policies

#### ATTENDANCE

Regular class attendance is required and essential to your success in the course. Attendance will be recorded regularly. **Your attendance record may affect your final grade. First, students who miss no more that one week of class (2 absences in TR classes) will be raised to the next grade level if the final point total is within five points of the cutoff in the grade scale. Second, students who miss one month or more of class (8 or more absences for TR classes) will be lowered one grade level.**

#### HONESTY

Angelo State University expects its students to maintain complete honesty and integrity in their academic pursuits. The Honor Code demands that students not participate in or condone **plagiarism**

among other forms of cheating. Students are responsible for understanding the Academic Honor Code, which is available on the web at:

[www.angelo.edu/forms/pdf/honorcode5.pdf](http://www.angelo.edu/forms/pdf/honorcode5.pdf).

## **DISABILITIES**

Persons with disabilities which warrant academic accommodations must contact the Student Life Office, Room 112 University Center, in order to request such accommodations prior to their being implemented. You are encouraged to make this request early in the semester so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

## **GRADING**

Grading for this course is based on three exams covering reading assignments and lectures. Questions are in true/false and essay form. All exams will be taken at the course website.

Each exam will each be worth 100 points.

Total possible exam points for the course is 300. Final grades will be assigned as follows (except when class attendance results in final grade adjustments as described above):

300 - 270 = A  
269 - 240 = B  
239 - 210 = C  
209 - 180 = D  
179 - 000 = F

Up to 20 extra credit points will be included in exams.

## **DEADLINES**

Exams will be made available online at the course website for the time periods shown in the schedule below (the beginning and ending dates are subject to change). Since generous time periods are provided to complete these, there will be **no extensions** for the deadlines.

### **Course Term**

**From** August 24, 2009 **To** December 11, 2009

### **Sessions:**

#### First Day Handouts

**From** August 25, 2009 **To** August 25, 2009

#### A Sociological Approach to Social Problems (Text 1)

**From** August 27, 2009 **To** September 01, 2009

[America's Most Basic Social Problem: The U.S. Political Economy \(Text 2\)](#)

**From** September 03, 2009 **To** September 08, 2009

[Global Population and Inequality \(Text 3\)](#)

**From** September 10, 2009 **To** September 15, 2009

[Immigration and Diversity in the U.S \(Text 5\)](#)

**From** September 17, 2009 **To** September 22, 2009

[First Exam](#)

**From** September 22, 2009 **To** September 25, 2009

[American Poverty \(Text 7\)](#)

**From** September 24, 2009 **To** October 01, 2009

[Racial and Gender Inequalities \(Text 8, 9\)](#)

**From** October 06, 2009 **To** October 13, 2009

[The Injustice of Criminal Justice \(Text 12\)](#)

**From** October 15, 2009 **To** October 20, 2009

[The Decline of Work Text 14\)](#)

**From** October 22, 2009 **To** October 29, 2009

[Second Exam](#)

**From** October 29, 2009 **To** November 03, 2009

[A Fight in the Family \(Text 15\)](#)

**From** November 03, 2009 **To** November 10, 2009

[Health Care and Capitalism \(Text 17\)](#)

**From** November 12, 2009 **To** November 19, 2009

[Imperial War \(Text 18\)](#)

**From** November 24, 2009 **To** December 03, 2009

[Final Exam \(Due December 10 @ 12:30pm\)](#)

**From** December 03, 2008 **To** December 10, 2008

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