

Instructor

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General Information

Description: This class will introduce students to the sociology of mental health and illness. The sociology of mental health and illness focuses on collective behavior that is attributed to the general organization of society

Student Expectations

In this course, you will be expected to complete the following task.

- read textbook
- communicate via email
- complete basic internet searches
- download and upload documents to the Canvas LMS
- read documents online
- view online videos
- participate in an online discussion
- complete quizzes and tests online
- upload documents in Canvas

Course Learning Outcomes

The courses learning outcomes are:

- 1. Examine and describe the problem of mental disorders from a sociological perspective
- 2. Become familiar with the major issues and research findings in the sociological literature on mental disorders,
- 3. develop an understanding of underlying sociological theories and conceptual models that help to explain the social factors associated with mental disorders,
- 4. explore the patients' perspectives of mental illness -- a perspective typically ignored in the professional literature, and
- 5. examine organizations and community resources available to the mentally ill and their families.

Social Science GEP Learning Outcomes

This course meets the GEP Investigation level Social Science requirement. The social science

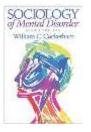
learning outcomes are:

- 1. Explain or apply major concepts, methods, or theories used in the social sciences to investigate, analyze, or predict human behavior.
- 2. Examine and explain how social, cultural, or political institutions influence individuals or groups.

Course Structure

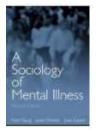
This course will be delivered entirely online through the course management system Canvas. You will use your UWSP account to login to the course from the <u>Canvas Login Page</u>. If you have not activated your UWSP account, please visit the <u>Manage Your Account</u> page to do so. All assignments and essays will be submitted on Canvas. Be sure to read Canvas announcement every day.

Course Materials Required Texts



Cockerham, William C. Sociology of Mental Disorder. ninth edition

Tausig, Michello, and Subedi A Sociology of Mental Illness, second edition



Students will also read articles, view film and video clips post ed on Canvas.

Please also see Canvas for Daily Overview, Daily Materials, and Daily Task

Course Technology Requirements

You will need **a stable internet connection** (don't rely on cellular) to participate in this course. A webcam and a microphone may prove useful for virtual office hours.

Technical Assistance

If you need technical assistance at any time during the course or to report a problem with Canvas, you can click the Help button near the bottom left of the Canvas navigation screen. There, you have the following options:

- Ask a question of your instructor
- Email Canvas personnel
- Chat with Canvas personnel

You can also lookup Canvas guides for documentation on issues, seek assistance from the IT Service Desk (Formerly HELP Desk)

Students with Disabilities

The University has a legal responsibility to provide accommodations and program access as mandated by Section 54 and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). The university's philosophy is to not only provide what is mandated but also convey its genuine concern for one's total well-being. If accommodations are needed, please contact the instructor as well as the Disability and Assistive Technology Center (DATC), located in 609 LRC. DATC contact information: Letter grades will be assigned based on the percentage of the possible points that are earned. The point system may be revised. Bring your syllabus and reading schedule to class so you can note any changes.

(715) 346-3365 (Voice)

(715) 346-3362 (TDD only)

or via email at datctr@uwsp.edu

Grades

Letter grades will be assigned based on the percentage of the possible points that are earned.

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Percent
93-100
90-92
87-89
83-86
80-82
77-79
73-76
70-72
67-69
60-66
59 & below

Late Policy

Be sure to pay close attention to deadlines posted on Canvas—there will be no make-up assignments or quizzes, or late work accepted without a serious and compelling reason and instructor approval.

Rights and Responsibilities

This class will adhere to all guidelines established in the UWSP Community Rights and Responsibilities. If you are not fully aware of these rights and responsibilities, please see the Student Rights and Responsibilities available in PDF format at http://www.uwsp.edu/dos/Pages/Student-Conduct.aspx. Specifically you may wish to examine Chapter 14–Student Academic Standards and Disciplinary Procedures.

