

Module Details	
Module Title	Foundation Sociology
Module Code	BIC3013-A
Academic Year	2022/3
Credits	10
School	UoB International College
FHEQ Level	RQF Level 3

Contact Hours	
Type	Hours
Directed Study	50
Lectures	50

Availability	
Occurrence	Location / Period
BDA	University of Bradford / Semester 2
BDA	University of Bradford / Semester 3

Module Aims
The module provides students with an understanding of sociological concepts, theories and methodologies. Students are introduced to a range of issues relevant to contemporary society in both a national and international context.

Outline Syllabus
Sociology as a discipline; its origins and development; major sociological schools of thought The family - is it universal? The critical views of the family - Marxist and Feminist, family diversity; conjugal roles, marriage and marriage breakdown; family and social policy Ethnicity and gender Deviance within society- non-sociological explanations; Marxist, neo-Marxism and interactionist interpretations; the crime rate; gender and ethnicity and crime; the impact of crime on society Globalisation - the impact of supra-national companies; opposition to globalisation; the role of the media.

Learning Outcomes	
Outcome Number	Description
1	Describe the origins, development and major schools of thought of Sociology.
2	Describe the major theories and issues linked to the family.
3	Explain three key issues linked to globalisation.
4	Describe the major theories and issues linked to deviance and crime in society.

Learning, Teaching and Assessment Strategy
Students will learn in small interactive groups (max 18 students) on learner-centred tasks and with a highly interactive approach to learning and teaching. Students will be encouraged to bring their own relevant experiences to the class discussions. During the module, formative assignments will be set to provide students with detailed and helpful feedback. The students will be encouraged throughout to reflect on their own performance and the feedback they receive informs sessions with their personal tutor. The personal tutor monitors student performance and supports suggestions for improvement. The personal tutor can draw the senior team's attention to a struggling student through the 'at risk' process. Summative assessment is achieved firstly through a case study concerning issues around the family and, then an end of module examination which the origins of sociology, globalisation and deviance and crime in society.

Mode of Assessment			
Type	Method	Description	Weighting
Summative	Coursework - Written	Response to a case study concerning the family in contemporary society testing (1000 words)	40%
Summative	Examination - Closed Book	Unseen examination covering the origins of sociology, globalisation and deviance and crime in society (2 Hrs)	60%

Reading List
To access the reading list for this module, please visit https://bradford.rl.talis.com/index.html

Please note:

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