



CARLETON UNIVERSITY
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY AND ANTHROPOLOGY
SOCI2702 POWER AND EVERYDAY LIFE
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CLASS SCHEDULE:	MONDAY & WEDNESDAY, 2:30 – 5:30 SOUTHAM HALL, 415
PREREQUISITES:	SOCI 1001 AND SOCI 1002, OR SOCI 1003 [1.0], OR ANTH 1001 AND ANTH 1002, OR ANTH 1003 [1.0]

COURSE DESCRIPTION

In this course we confront two contentious notions: “power” and “everyday life.” Together, we will explore how sociologists have tried to grapple with these notions by studying some social practices that are familiar to us, and some that are not. Topics may include leisure, consumption, identity, fashion, sexuality, and work, among others. We will work through these notions by reading, observing, discussing and writing. Our tasks will be to:

1. problematize the notion of “everyday life” by investigating the material conditions that produce everyday life experiences
2. understand some of the contemporary ways that power and culture are used as sociological concepts
3. problematize the notion of “everyday life” by investigating different “everyday lives”
4. study how power relations shape the everyday lives of different groups of people

COURSE OBJECTIVES

Students who complete this course will have:

- increased their knowledge of substantive aspects of society
- greater familiarity with contemporary sociological approaches to power and everyday life
- increased fluency in a selection of modern and contemporary sociological theories
- experience writing about social practices

COURSE REQUIREMENTS & METHODS OF EVALUATION

- **Participation** (15%) Marks will be awarded for participating in class and in groups
- **Assignment 1** (20%) ‘The social production of everyday life’
- **Assignment 2** (30%) ‘Two neighborhoods, compared’
- **Assignment 3** (35%) ‘Everyday power’

A full description of each assignment can be found on WebCT. Assignments are due at the beginning of class on the dates listed below.

Note: You are responsible for retaining a hard copy of all work submitted

COURSE READINGS

A list of course readings can be found on WebCT. See the folder "Course Readings."

COURSE CALENDAR

<u>Date</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Activity/Assignment</u>	<u>Reading</u>
July 4	Introduction		
July 6	The production of everyday life		Becker 1953
July 11	Who do we think we are?	Workshop (assignment 1)	Fox 1987
July 13	Power I		Foucault 1995
July 18	Many everyday lives	Assignment 1 due	Mayol 1998
July 20	Mundane everyday lives		Giard 1998
July 25	Consuming everyday life		Film (in class)
July 27	Constructing everyday life	Workshop (assignment 2)	Hacking 1999 (+ podcast)
August 1	Holiday – no class		
August 3	Everyday power	Assignment 2 due	Rothenberg 2010, <i>The Status Films</i>
August 8	Power II		Gomart & Hennion 1999
August 10	Materiality	Workshop (assignment 3)	Liszkiewicz 2010
August 15	Last class!	Assignment 3 due	

For your Information

In accordance with the Carleton University Undergraduate Calendar (p 39), the letter grades assigned in this course will have the following percentage equivalents:

A+ = 90-100	B+ = 77-79	C+ = 67-69	D+ = 57-59
A = 85-89	B = 73-76	C = 63-66	D = 53-56
A - = 80-84	B - = 70-72	C - = 60-62	D - = 50-52

F = Below 50 WDN = Withdrawn from the course

ABS = Student absent from final exam

DEF = Deferred (See above)

FND = (Failed, no Deferred) = Student could not pass the course even with 100% on final exam

Academic Regulations, Accommodations, Plagiarism, Etc.

University rules regarding registration, withdrawal, appealing marks, and most anything else you might need to know can be found on the university's website, here:

<http://www.carleton.ca/calendars/ugrad/current/regulations/acadregsuniv.html>

Requests for Academic Accommodations

For Students with Disabilities:

Students with disabilities needing academic accommodations are required to contact a coordinator at the Paul Menton Centre to complete the necessary *letters of accommodation*. The student must then make an appointment to discuss their needs with the instructor at least two weeks prior to the first class or ITV test. This is to ensure sufficient time is available to make the necessary accommodation arrangements.

- The deadlines for contacting the Paul Menton Centre regarding accommodation for final exams for the June 2011 exam period is June 10, 2011. The deadline for August 2011 examinations is July 29, 2011.

For Religious Obligations:

Students requesting academic accommodation on the basis of religious obligation should make a formal, written request to their instructors for alternate dates and/or means of satisfying academic requirements. Such requests should be made during the first two weeks of class, or as soon as possible after the need for accommodation is known to exist, but no later than two weeks before the compulsory event.

Accommodation is to be worked out directly and on an individual basis between the student and the instructor(s) involved. Instructors will make accommodations in a way that avoids academic disadvantage to the student.

Students or instructors who have questions or want to confirm accommodation eligibility of a religious event or practice may refer to the Equity Services website for a list of holy days and Carleton's Academic Accommodation policies, or may contact an Equity Services Advisor in the Equity Services Department for assistance.

For Pregnancy:

Pregnant students requiring academic accommodations are encouraged to contact an Equity Advisor in Equity Services to complete a letter of accommodation. The student must then make an appointment to discuss her needs with the instructor at least two weeks prior to the first academic event in which it is anticipated the accommodation will be required.

Plagiarism

Plagiarism is the passing off of someone else's work as your own and is a serious academic offence. For the details of what constitutes plagiarism, the potential penalties and the procedures refer to the section on Instructional Offences in the Undergraduate Calendar.

What are the Penalties for Plagiarism?

A student found to have plagiarized an assignment may be subject to one of several penalties including: expulsion; suspension from all studies at Carleton; suspension from full-time studies; and/or a reprimand; a refusal of permission to continue or to register in a specific degree program; academic probation; award of an FNS, Fail, or an ABS.

What are the Procedures?

All allegations of plagiarism are reported to the faculty of Dean of FASS and Management. Documentation is prepared by instructors and/or departmental chairs.

The Dean writes to the student and the University Ombudsperson about the alleged plagiarism.

The Dean reviews the allegation. If it is not resolved at this level then it is referred to a tribunal appointed by the Senate.

Plagiarism and cheating at the graduate level are viewed as being particularly serious and the sanctions imposed are accordingly severe.

Students are expected to familiarize themselves with and follow the Carleton University Student Academic Integrity Policy (See <http://www2.carleton.ca/sasc/advisingcentre/academic-integrity/>).

The Policy is strictly enforced and is binding on all students. Plagiarism and cheating – presenting another's ideas, arguments, words or images as your own, using unauthorized material, misrepresentation, fabricating or misrepresenting research data, unauthorized co-operation or collaboration or completing work for another student – weaken the quality of the graduate degree. Academic dishonesty in any form will not be tolerated. Students who infringe the Policy may be subject to one of several penalties including: expulsion; suspension from all studies at Carleton; suspension from full-time studies; a refusal of permission to continue or to register in a specific degree program; academic probation; or a grade of Failure in the course.

Assistance for Students:

- Student Academic Success Centre (SASC): www.carleton.ca/sasc
- Writing Tutorial Services: www.carleton.ca/wts
- Peer Assisted Study Sessions (PASS): www.carleton.ca/sasc/peer-assisted-study-sessions

Important Information:

- Students must always retain a hard copy of all work that is submitted.
- All final grades are subject to the Dean's approval.
- Please note that you will be able to link your CONNECT (MyCarleton) account to other non-CONNECT accounts and receive emails from us. However, for us to respond to your emails, we need to see your full name, CU ID, and the email must be written from your valid CONNECT address. Therefore, it would be easier to respond to your inquiries if you would send all email from your connect account. If you do not have or have yet to activate this account, you may wish to do so by visiting <https://portal.carleton.ca/>