

**CARLETON UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT OF
SOCIOLOGY AND ANTHROPOLOGY
SOCI 2000 A SUMMER 2022
FOUNDATIONS OF SOCIOLOGICAL INQUIRY**

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Pre-requisites & Precluded Courses: SOCI 1001 and SOCI 1002, or SOCI 1003, or ANTH 1001, or ANTH 1002.

Method of Delivery: Live lecture/tutorial on Tuesday and Thursday 2:35-5:25pm

Course Description and Objectives:

This course is an introduction to sociological inquiry or the systematic study of individual behaviour within social groups and of society as a whole and social institutions. It examines all of the stages of the research process from formulating questions, selecting appropriate methods, and analyzing data and reporting findings. Topics include the: epistemological foundations of social research; relationship between theory and data; techniques for the collection and analysis of quantitative and qualitative data; and research ethics.

The course will prepare students to critically evaluate and carry-out independent social research and for more advanced courses in research methods. The two-hour lecture (per class) is designed to provide an essential understanding of these topics. The lecture is followed by a one-hour tutorial as needed. Lectures, tutorials, exams, and office hours will be delivered synchronously (in real-time) through Zoom's video conferencing platform.

Textbook:

Edward Bell, Alan Bryman and Steven Kleinknecht, 2022, Social Research Methods, 6th Edition. Toronto: Oxford University Press.

Course Requirements & Methods of Evaluation:

Assessment *	Weight
Test 1 (May 24 at 3:25-5:25pm)	25%
Test 2 (June 9 at 3:25-5:25pm)	25%
Take-home Exam (due on June 27 at 11:59pm)	25%
Attendance	25%