# CARLETON UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY AND ANTHROPOLOGY

COURSE NUMBER/SECTION: SOCI 1001 A ACADEMIC YEAR/TERM: Fall, 2022 COURSE TITLE: Introduction to Sociology I

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Course Schedule: Tuesdays. Lecture: 8:30-10:30am, tutorials after lecture

Method of Delivery: 2 hour lectures weekly, 1 hour tutorial weekly

#### **Course Description:**

Sociologists are interested in challenging common, taken-for-granted assumptions about how society works. Sociologists analyze social norms, trends, practices, and the many ways in which power is distributed throughout society. Sociologists ask questions about small social trends, for example, how do cronuts and moral panics about obesity exist in the same society? Sociologists also address larger macro phenomenon like the current rise of racist populism.

SOC 1001 focuses on questions of social identity. Students will be introduced to theories of socialization, and social interaction. The course will then explore how aspects of our social identities: gender, race, class, age, ability, and social class emerge from individual and social processes. In this course, students will also be introduced to the tools and theoretical frameworks that have been developed since the birth of the discipline.

Armed with sociological tools and theories, students will be asked to apply their newly energized sociological imaginations to topics, social problems or specific phenomenon of interest in two writing assignments. Students will also practice thinking sociologically in tutorial activities, and the midterm and final exam.

## **Prerequisites:**

None.

## Reading (s)/Textbook (s):

Davidson, Tonya and Ondine Park (Eds.) 2020. *Seasonal Sociology*. University of Toronto Press: Toronto.

#### **Course Requirements & Methods of Evaluation:**

 $\begin{array}{l} Tutorial\ Participation-20\% \\ CUPortfolio\ Part\ 1-15\% \end{array}$ 

Test 1 – 15%

Your Lunch/Wardrobe: A Sociological Analysis – 20%

 $Test \ 2-15\% \\ CUPortfolio \ Part \ 2-15\%$