

## SOCI 2005 B HISTORIES OF SOCIOLOGICAL THOUGHT

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### COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course examines foundational texts in the sphere of development of sociological thought of the 18<sup>th</sup> century to more current 21<sup>st</sup> century writings. We will explore key questions social thinkers have been contemplating and follow these issues as they transcend historical eras relating to the development of social processes in the organization of society at a micro-sociological and macro-sociological levels. This course will focus on primary texts from a range of classical and contemporary intellectuals, providing students with an overview of social and political perspectives during key historical turns: beginning with thinkers of the enlightenment era, such as Hobbes and Rousseau, followed by a focus on the rise of industrial capitalism underscoring key texts of critics of political economy such as Marx and Engels. In the context of capitalist social relations, we will also delve into the spheres of social order, social change and governance, highlighting readings from Durkheim, Weber, among others. Early feminists and race theories will include readings of W.E.B. Du Bois, Stuart Hall, and Charlotte Perkins Gilman, among others. Microsociology of Simmel, and symbolic interactionism of Goffman will be discussed. We will also explore readings of post-modernist writers.

### EVALUATION

Assessment <i>Winter 2025</i>	Weight
<b>Short Assignment</b>	<b>10%</b>
<b>Midterm Test (in-class)</b>	<b>15%</b>
<b>Winter Final Assignment</b>	<b>15%</b>
<b>Tutorial Attendance &amp; Participation</b>	<b>5%</b>
<b>Tutorial Presentation</b>	<b>5%</b>

### TEXT

Required readings will be provided through the Carleton Library electronic reserves system (ARES). Additional readings, video clips, and other supplementary material will be electronically linked to the Brightspace page of this course.