

Office: 1250-03	Office Hours: M/W 11am - 12pm & M 1-2pm & T/Th 2-3pm	Phone: 992-7358
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Purpose of the course:

This course's primary aim is to expose and acquaint you with various social, cultural, racial, and ethnic aspects of American society. Our concern will be with the examination of certain racial and ethnic groups in American life: their evolution, function and contributions. In this context, a study of White America is also necessary. Our approach will be interdisciplinary, that is historical, sociological, psychological and anthropological.

My primary concern is not that you excel at memorization, but rather that you develop your ability to achieve an understanding of social and cultural concepts. Refining your analytical thinking, will be a major goal of this class.

You will be held responsible for all class work, both in lecture and discussion. If any problems arise please feel free to discuss them with me. I hope that I have the opportunity to speak to each of you on an individual basis during the coming semester.

Saturday Discussion Group:

The nature of the Saturday discussion group will be explained at the first meeting. Dates for the Saturday meetings are February 4, March 11, and April 29 from 9am-5pm.

Responsibilities:

You will be held responsible for all class work. This includes all lectures, readings, guest speakers, discussions, tapes, slides, films, etc.

Absences:

Avoid them since the lectures and the readings are not designed to duplicate each other. If you decide to drop the class it is your responsibility to properly do so. Your failure to be responsible to yourself will result in a failing grade being assigned to you. Excessive absences affect grades, and they are grounds for termination from the class.

Examinations:

Please see the attachment for details on written work. Note that make-up exams and tardy work will be strictly regulated.

Reading for the Class:

All the information is provided on a separate sheet.