

**DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY AND SECURITY STUDIES
UNIVERSITY OF DELTA AGBOR, DELTA STATE
REGULAR PROGRAMME 2023/ 2024SESSION
FIRST SEMESTER COURSE OUTLINE (100 LEVEL)
COURSE OUTLINE**

COURSE TITLE: INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY I

COURSE CODE: (SOC 101) (4 Units: LH 60)

COURSE LECTURERS: Dr. Okinono, Dr. Onwordi, Mr. Iwegbu, Mr.Omoroje

Course Objectives:

This course will seek to define the concept Sociology and its relationship with other social science disciplines; the emergence of sociology; sociology as a science. It will also examine the evolution of sociological thinking; founding fathers of sociology, theoretical perspectives and their relevance. It will also look at basic concepts in sociology such as society, culture, social facts, social structure, socialization, social roles and status.

At the end of this course, students should be able to:

- Understand the distinct nature of Sociology.
- Explain the major concerns of Sociology.
- Differentiate and explain the relationship between Sociology and other social sciences.
- Understand the nature of scientific explanation to the study of society.
- Acquire some theoretical knowledge to provide a basis for understanding society.
- Identify the mode and patterns of socialization.
- Learn to think critically and creatively about social problems.
- Identify various ways in addressing social problems within our environment and society at large.
- Be motivated to take individual action to improve the world in which we live.

COURSE OUTLINE

UNIT 1

- I. What is sociology
- II. The nature and scope of sociology
- III. Branches of sociology
- IV. Relevance of sociology

UNIT 2

- I. The emergence of sociology
- II. History of sociology
- III. Founding fathers of sociology
- IV. Scientific method of investigation

UNIT 3

- I. Basic concepts in sociology
- II. Sociology and other social sciences
- III. Sociology as a science

IV. Role of Sociologist

UNIT4

- I. Culture
- II. Society and social problem
- III. Socialization

ASSESSMENT

- I. Written Test (Mark)- 20%
- II. Class Attendance - 10%
- III. Examination – 70%
- IV. Total – 100%

Recommended Text

- Mc.Kee and James B. (1981). *Sociology: The study of Society*. Holt, Rinchartand Winston: New York.
- Jones,Russel,A. (1995). *Research Methods in the Social and BehaviouralSciences*.Second Edition. Sunderland, Massachusetts,Sinauer Associates,Inc.
- Zastrow,Charles. (1996). *Social Problems,Issues and Solutions*. 4th Ed. Chicago: Nelson Hall Publishers.
- Otite,O. and W.Ogionwo(2003): *An Introduction to Sociological Studies*.Ibadan, Heinemann Educational Books (Nigeria) Plc.
- Schaefer,R.T.(2004). *Sociology: brief Introduction*. New York. McGraw-Hill Companies.Inc.
- Haralambos and Holborn (2008). *Sociology: Themes and Perspectives*. 7th Edition. HarperCollins Publishers Ltd.
- Giddens, A. (2009). *Sociology* 6thEdition. Wiley India Pvt.Ltd.