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Course Overview: This course is an introduction to the study of social groups and social relationships. The course analyzes basic sociological concepts to acquaint the student with the fundamental laws governing human relationships. Problems of social structure, social processes, and social motivations will be considered. I 3 credits

Grading:

Discussions, journals &	
Written assignments	45%
Essay exams (2)	30%
Final project	25%

Assignments:

Final project: The project worked on in weeks 9-15 will include:

5-6 minute virtual presentation shared with the instructor and peers

1-2 page summary and bibliography of at least five credible sources

Discussions: A discussion question is posted almost every week. Students are expected to be an active participant in class discussions by adding substantive content to the discussions and replying to posts by others.

Journals: Students should post a weekly journal entry to respond to a posted question from the readings. Journal entries are only read by the instructor.

Observation report: Students will choose a location to observe and analyze human interaction from a sociological perspective. Students will submit a 2 page paper to summarize the observation.

Essay exams: Students will submit a 2 page paper to answer the posted question.