

SUMMER 2017

Syllabus



SOC 368 – Sociology of Mental Health

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Required Text: Cockerham, William C. *Sociology of Mental Disorder*. ninth edition
Tausig, Michello, and Subedi A *Sociology of Mental Illness*, second edition
Electronic Reserve either click on the D2L link or go to library home page
D2L readings available in the content area

Course Description and Expectations. This class will introduce students to the sociology of mental health and illness. The sociology of mental health and illness focuses on collective behavior that is attributed to the general organization of society. In four short weeks this class will (1) examine the problem of mental disorders from a sociological perspective, (2) become familiar with the major issues and research findings in the sociological literature on mental health and illness, (3) develop an understanding of underlying sociological theories and conceptual models that help to explain the social factors associated with mental disorders, and (4) explore the patients' perspectives of mental illness -- a perspective typically ignored in the professional literature.

This is an online course; there are no in-class meetings or class lectures. Students are expected to complete a substantial amount of daily reading, view videos, and complete a series of assignments and exams on D2L. All assignments and essays will be submitted on D2L. I will not accept any assignments in any other form (paper or e-mail).

Grades Letter grades will be assigned based on the percentage of possible points that are earned.

Grade	Percent
A	93-100
A-	90-92
B+	87-89
B	83-86
B-	80-82
C+	77-79
C	73-76
C-	70-72
D+	67-69
D	60-66
F	59 & below

