Course Description

This course examines the emergence of sociology by situating the discipline in the context of the emergence of western social thought. The main ideas, concepts, and theorists composing the history of sociology are reviewed, but also, necessarily, the social and historical context(s) from which they arose. Emphasis is placed on developing students’ abilities to theorize the social world within and beyond the confines of sociological theory proper.

Readings

2. Assigned Extra Readings

Evaluation

Students will likely be evaluated on the basis of three examinations—two midterms and a cumulative final.

Format

Sociology 210 is a lecture-style course. Weekly meetings will, therefore, consist of lectures (with occasional class interaction) that students are expected to attend. Lectures will be based on but not identical to readings. PowerPoint will be used to guide lectures.