



SOCX1010

Introduction to Sociology: Understanding everyday life

Session 2, Fully online/virtual 2021

Macquarie School of Social Sciences

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Session 2 Learning and Teaching Update

The decision has been made to conduct study online for the remainder of Session 2 for all units WITHOUT mandatory on-campus learning activities. Exams for Session 2 will also be online where possible to do so.

This is due to the extension of the lockdown orders and to provide certainty around arrangements for the remainder of Session 2. We hope to return to campus beyond Session 2 as soon as it is safe and appropriate to do so.

Some classes/teaching activities cannot be moved online and must be taught on campus. You should already know if you are in one of these classes/teaching activities and your unit convenor will provide you with more information via iLearn. If you want to confirm, see the list of [units with mandatory on-campus classes/teaching activities](#).

Visit the [MQ COVID-19 information page](#) for more detail.

General Information

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Credit points

10

Prerequisites

Corequisites

Co-badged status

Unit description

In this unit you are introduced to the analysis of everyday situations such as the home, the street, work, shopping, community, neighbourhoods, and various sites of leisure and entertainment. We also reveal and scrutinize the many tools and props that we use to negotiate these everyday activities (eg, clothes, mobile phones, automobiles, computers, furnishings etc) and explore the hidden social forces that shape our lives. All enrolment queries should be directed to Open Universities Australia (OUA): see www.open.edu.au

Important Academic Dates

Information about important academic dates including deadlines for withdrawing from units are available at <https://www.mq.edu.au/study/calendar-of-dates>

Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this unit, you will be able to:

ULO1: demonstrate awareness of the history and importance of the study of the sociology of everyday life.

ULO2: demonstrate a broad understanding of how the 'sociological imagination' can be applied to our everyday lives.

ULO3: demonstrate the ability to summarise and apply important readings in sociology and the sociology of everyday life.

ULO4: demonstrate an awareness of a range of research skills, such as ethnography and visual analysis, used to carry out research in the area of the sociology of everyday life.

Assessment Tasks

Name	Weighting	Hurdle	Due
Reflection Essay	20%	No	Sunday 29 Aug 2021 (11.59pm)
Online quizzes	20%	No	Sunday 17 Oct 2021 (11.59pm)
Take-home Exam	40%	No	Sunday 7 Nov 2021 (11.59pm)
Online Contribution	20%	No	On-going

Reflection Essay

Assessment Type ¹: Essay

Indicative Time on Task ²: 20 hours

Due: **Sunday 29 Aug 2021 (11.59pm)**

Weighting: **20%**

A reflective essay on an everyday space.

On successful completion you will be able to:

- demonstrate awareness of the history and importance of the study of the sociology of everyday life.
- demonstrate a broad understanding of how the 'sociological imagination' can be applied to our everyday lives.
- demonstrate the ability to summarise and apply important readings in sociology and the sociology of everyday life.
- demonstrate an awareness of a range of research skills, such as ethnography and visual analysis, used to carry out research in the area of the sociology of everyday life.

Online quizzes

Assessment Type ¹: Quiz/Test

Indicative Time on Task ²: 10 hours

Due: **Sunday 17 Oct 2021 (11.59pm)**

Weighting: **20%**

Students complete weekly quizzes which test lecture and reading material.

On successful completion you will be able to:

- demonstrate awareness of the history and importance of the study of the sociology of everyday life.
- demonstrate a broad understanding of how the 'sociological imagination' can be applied to our everyday lives.

Take-home Exam

Assessment Type ¹: Quiz/Test

Indicative Time on Task ²: 40 hours

Due: **Sunday 7 Nov 2021 (11.59pm)**

Weighting: **40%**

At the end of the course, students will have a take-home exam consisting of short answers to questions. The exam will cover content from the whole course.

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- demonstrate the ability to summarise and apply important readings in sociology and the sociology of everyday life.
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Online Contribution

Assessment Type ¹: Participatory task

Indicative Time on Task ²: 12 hours

Due: **On-going**

Weighting: **20%**

Students are expected to participate in the online weekly exercises and tasks as directed via the Ilearn discussion forum.

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 - demonstrate an awareness of a range of research skills, such as ethnography and visual analysis, used to carry out research in the area of the sociology of everyday life.
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¹ If you need help with your assignment, please contact:

- the academic teaching staff in your unit for guidance in understanding or completing this type of assessment
- the [Writing Centre](#) for academic skills support.

² Indicative time-on-task is an estimate of the time required for completion of the assessment task and is subject to individual variation

Delivery and Resources

Lectures are delivered live via zoom (Tue 11am-1pm) and the recording uploaded to ECHO platform on ilearn.

All required and recommended readings are listed on ilearn.

Policies and Procedures

Macquarie University policies and procedures are accessible from [Policy Central \(https://policies.mq.edu.au\)](https://policies.mq.edu.au). Students should be aware of the following policies in particular with regard to Learning and Teaching:

- [Academic Appeals Policy](#)
- [Academic Integrity Policy](#)
- [Academic Progression Policy](#)
- [Assessment Policy](#)
- [Fitness to Practice Procedure](#)
- [Grade Appeal Policy](#)
- [Complaint Management Procedure for Students and Members of the Public](#)
- [Special Consideration Policy](#)

Students seeking more policy resources can visit [Student Policies \(https://students.mq.edu.au/su\)](https://students.mq.edu.au/su)

[port/study/policies](#)). It is your one-stop-shop for the key policies you need to know about throughout your undergraduate student journey.

To find other policies relating to Teaching and Learning, visit [Policy Central](#) (<https://policies.mq.edu.au>) and use the [search tool](#).

Student Code of Conduct

Macquarie University students have a responsibility to be familiar with the Student Code of Conduct: <https://students.mq.edu.au/admin/other-resources/student-conduct>

Results

Results published on platform other than [eStudent](#), (eg. iLearn, Coursera etc.) or released directly by your Unit Convenor, are not confirmed as they are subject to final approval by the University. Once approved, final results will be sent to your student email address and will be made available in [eStudent](#). For more information visit <ask.mq.edu.au> or if you are a Global MBA student contact globalmba.support@mq.edu.au

Student Support

Macquarie University provides a range of support services for students. For details, visit <http://students.mq.edu.au/support/>

Learning Skills

Learning Skills (<mq.edu.au/learningskills>) provides academic writing resources and study strategies to help you improve your marks and take control of your study.

- [Getting help with your assignment](#)
- [Workshops](#)
- [StudyWise](#)
- [Academic Integrity Module](#)

The Library provides online and face to face support to help you find and use relevant information resources.

- [Subject and Research Guides](#)
- [Ask a Librarian](#)

Student Services and Support

Students with a disability are encouraged to contact the [Disability Service](#) who can provide appropriate help with any issues that arise during their studies.

Student Enquiries

For all student enquiries, visit Student Connect at <ask.mq.edu.au>

If you are a Global MBA student contact globalmba.support@mq.edu.au

IT Help

For help with University computer systems and technology, visit http://www.mq.edu.au/about_us/offices_and_units/information_technology/help/.

When using the University's IT, you must adhere to the [Acceptable Use of IT Resources Policy](#). The policy applies to all who connect to the MQ network including students.