Social Problems in Today’s World

Dutchess Community College

BHS 103

Course Description:

This course examines social problems that confront the world today, and the underlying shared value, ethics, and diverse perspectives that contribute to those problems. Concepts of the behavioral sciences are introduced. The course presents a broad range of social problems, with particular focus on the complex relationships between contemporary issues. Students are presented the current research data that explains both the causes and possible resolutions to important social issues.

DCC Institutional Student Learning Outcomes

Critical Analysis and Reasoning: Students will formulate or evaluate arguments, problems or opinions and arrive at a solution, position or hypothesis based on carefully considered evidence.

Textbook:

There is no cost for the textbook we will be using in this class. An electronic copy of the textbook will be posted on the Google Classroom.

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Topics Covered

1. Understanding Social Problems
2. Poverty
3. Racial and Ethnic Inequality
4. Gender Inequality
5. Aging and Ageism
6. Alcohol and Other Drugs
7. Crime and Criminal Justice
8. Schools and Education
9. Work and the Economy
10. Health and Health Care
11. Urban and Rural Problems
12. Population and the Environment
13. War and Terrorism

Academic Honesty:

Any form of academic dishonesty will not be tolerated and subject to the WCSD and Dutchess Community College Code of Conduct.

Title IX

Dutchess Community College is committed to maintaining a positive campus climate and will not tolerate any form of sexual harassment including sexual assault, sexual violence, and sexual misconduct. It is the responsibility and obligation of all members of the College community to reportand/or to assist others in reporting incidents of sexual harassment. Please direct all Inquiries and reports related to sexual harassment and sexual violence to: Title IX Coordinator: Director of Human Resources Dutchess Community College, Bowne Hall, Room 220 53 Pendell Road, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601

All academic accommodations will be honored in this class.

Grades

All assignments will be given a specific point value.

DCC Grading Scale

A 93-100

A- 90-92

B+ 83-86

B 83-86

B- 80-82

C+ 77-79

C 70-76

D 60-69

F 0-59

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