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CHAMINADE UNIVERSITY OF HONOLULU  
SUMMER SESSION III-2000, JULY 5 to SEPTEMBER 13  
Sociology 302, "Theory in Behavioral Science"  
Thursdays, 4:45 to 8:55 p.m., Pearl Harbor, Educ. Bldg. 679

I. LECTURER

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II. CONSULTATION Thursdays, 3:45-4:45 p.m. (Please email, fax, or call for appointment)

III. TEXTBOOK G. Ritzer, Sociological Theory 4th Ed (New York: McGraw-Hill, 1996)

IV. COURSE DESCRIPTION and OBJECTIVES

The course primarily aims to introduce the student to fundamental sociological theories in behavioral science that explain collective social behavior as learned through class lectures, individual homework, group discussions, and paper presentations. This basic theoretical knowledge of human social behavior is applied to gain an enriched sociological perspective of daily life situations, issues or concerns. For instance, the topic of contraception or birth control may be seen from both structural functionalist and conflict Marxist frameworks of analyses. More pragmatic situations such as a simple "911" telephone conversation or a business window transaction may be subject to the conceptual rigors of symbolic interaction theory. Thus, abstract and tangible aspects of sociological reasoning are bridged by the student to form a unique and comprehensible perception of contemporary social reality.

V. REQUIREMENTS

A. Individual Homework & Reports	200 points
Individual reports, 4 x 25 pts=100 (assigned reading for each student, presented in class)	
Individual homework, 4 @ 25 pts=100 (to be emailed to class, students submit in class)	
B. Midterm Exam, 50 items	50 points
C. Final Exam, 50 items	50 points
Total	300 points

VI. GRADE CONVERSION 90% & over=A, 80-89%=B, 70-79%=C, 60-69%=D, Below 60%=F

VII. TOPIC OUTLINE (Note: Parts below refer to sections in Ritzer book)

July 6, Parts 1 & 2  
July 13, Parts 3 & 4  
July 20, Parts 5 & 6  
July 27, Parts 7 & 8  
August 3, Parts 9 & 10  
August 10, Parts 11 & 12  
August 17, Parts 13 & 14  
August 24, Parts 15 & 16  
August 31, Synthesis & Review  
September 7, Final Exams

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