

SOCY 1016: The Social Construction of Sexuality

Recitation Information

Mon 10-10:50 am – Hale 240 (041)
Tues 2-2:50 pm – HUMN 1B90 (042)
Weds 9-9:50 am – EDUC 231 (043)

Lecture Information

Tues-Thurs 8-8:50 am - EKLC E1B20

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Course materials available on CULearn

Recitation Goals: In contemporary American society, we commonly understand sexuality as a product of “biology” or “nature.” In this recitation we will explicitly interrogate this notion and its real-world implications for our personal lives and social worlds. Moving beyond such analyses, we will examine the social and historical forces that shape sexual norms, sexual identities, romantic relationships, sexual inequalities, sexual communities, and the social regulation of sexuality.

More generally, this recitation is designed to provide us with an opportunity to discuss and critically assess the ideas presented in the lecture and assigned readings.

Recitation Assignments/Activities and Grading (90 points total)

Recitation Attendance (15 recitations x 4 points for each class)	60 points
Quizzes (3 quizzes x 10 points possible for each quiz)	30 points
Total points possible in recitation	90 points

Quiz format and rules: Quizzes will be a mixture of multiple choice and fill in the blank. No make-ups will be given without an excused absence, such as a note from Wardenburg, your athletic team coach, or a religious holiday.

Quizzes will be given on week 3, week 8, and week 13.

Course Policies and Environment:

- You are responsible for material and announcements presented during all lectures and recitation meetings. Therefore, you are responsible to get missed notes and updates from fellow students. If a due date or other administrative changes are announced, that will supersede the “tentative schedule” found in this syllabus.
- Please do not arrive late, leave early, or begin to pack up prior to the end of recitation.
- Please refrain from using your cell phone in class.
- Please refrain from using your computer in class. Instead, take notes in a notebook.
- You are responsible for keeping ALL returned graded material. In the event that you are required to defend your grade or if technology fails, these will be requested.
- If you require certain accommodations because of a disability, please let me know by the end of the first week so that your learning needs may be appropriately met. You will need to provide documentation from Disability Services (Willard 322 303-492-8671 www.colorado.edu/sacs/disabilityservices)
- If you have any schedule conflicts with final exams, other tests, due dates, or known absences let both your TA and instructor know by e-mail the end of the first week of class.
- We (the instructor, TA, and students) are expected to adhere to the behavior standards listed in the Rights and Responsibilities Regarding Standards of Conduct. The specific policy may be found at www.colorado.edu/policies/classbehavior.html

- Both students and faculty are expected to abide by the University's honor code. The specifics can be found at www.colorado.edu/academics/honorcode. Cheating and plagiarizing will result in a failing grade. Information on what constitutes these behaviors can be found in the honor code document if you have any questions.
- Sexual harassment will not be tolerated. Visit www.colorado.edu/sexualharassment or call the Office of Sexual harassment at 303-492-2127 for information about what sexual harassment is and to how to create a fair and safe educational environment.