Preliminary Syllabus!!!
Families in Society
Fall 2014

Soc 3638 -001
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MWF 9.40 -10.30 AM
Beh S 110

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Required Books:
Philip Cohen. 2014. The Family: Diversity, Inequality, and Social Change
Brian Powell et al.. 2012. Counted Out

Other readings; You will be assigned one of the following books (no need to buy them before the beginning of the semester)
- Coontz: Marriage, a history
- Lareau: Unequal childhoods
- Gerson: Unfinished revolution

Grading:

Attendance/Reading Quizzes (10%)
Midterm (25%) TBA
Book project (20%) Details TBA
  Individually graded chapter summaries (10%)
  Group presentation + peer evaluation of contribution to group (10%)
Interview paper (20%) Details TBA
Final (25%) TBA

Preliminary Class Schedule

Week 1 A Sociology of the Family
Week 2: The Family History
Week 3: Race, Ethnicity, and Immigration
Week 4: Families and social class
Week 5: Gender
Week 6: Sexuality
Week 7: Love and Romantic Relationships
Week 8: Marriage and Cohabitation
Week 9: Families and Children
Week 10: Divorce, Remarriage, and Blended Families
Week 11: Work and Families
Week 12: Family Violence and Abuse
Week 13: Group Presentations
Week 14: Group Presentations
Week 15: The Future of “the” Family

Polices

ADA

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- All written information in this course can be made available in alternative format with prior notification to the Center for Disability Services.

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