

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Introduction to Sociology</b> UNYP 87100
<b>Level</b>	Lower-level course in a Bachelor's degree program
<b>Credits</b>	3 semester credits / 6 ECTS
<b>Pre-requisite(s)</b>	None

<b>Scheduled meetings</b>	45 hours
<b>Average preparation time</b>	105 hours
<b>Total student work time</b>	150 hours

**Description** This course consists of an analysis of social structures and processes in settings ranging from small informal groups to formal organizations and communities to stratification and kinship systems to total societies.

**Learning outcomes** Upon successfully completing this course, the student will be able to:

- define the major institutional components of human societies;
- recognize the major stages of societal evolution;
- describe the causes and directions of social change in modern history, and the core problems confronting society today;
- define and begin using major sociological concepts and theories, and understand sociology's relationship with sister social sciences (economics, psychology, anthropology);
- be familiar with the ideas of major sociological thinkers, and how they have impacted our outlooks today;

**Study literature** Introduction to Sociology by Anthony Giddens, 3rd edition. Cambridge: Polity Press: ISBN 0-7456-2311-5.

Additional readings available on UNYP E-Learn or in the UNYP Library.

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