

**SOCIO3020/4090**

Social Theory

- Analyse a wide range of social theories, from the writing of 'classical' scholars to contemporary work on decoloniality, the Anthropocene and critical social science.
- Explore debates about the 'canon' of social theory and why some pioneering theorists have traditionally been excluded from it.
- Develop a more systematic and theoretical grasp of the disciplines of sociology and social anthropology as well as their contributions to the critical understanding of society.

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SOCIO4014

Global Civil Society And Human Rights

- Expand your critical understandings of 'global civil society' and 'human rights' informed by contemporary social theory.
- Develop empirical knowledge and research skills related to non-governmental organisations, transnational social movements and human rights, particularly with respect to gender, sexuality and childhood; and build skills for the international labour market.
- Enhance your transferable and interpersonal skills, particularly in communication, time management, individual and group research work, and critical appraisal of social issues.



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**SOCIO4037**

Sociology Of Consumption: Historical And Theoretical Perspectives

- Explore the significance of consumption as a major form of social life.
- Analyse the nature and historical development of contemporary consumer society.
- Investigate the various configurations of consumption in modern society and also analyse the social forces which exist to regulate and control them.

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SOCIO4040

Sociology of Gender

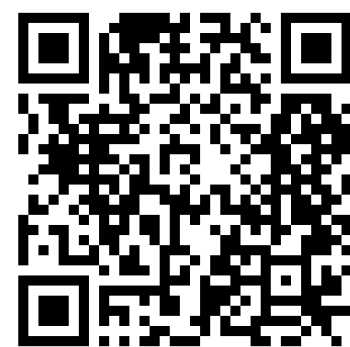
- Explore how everyday life is organised around differences between women and men and binary notions of gender draws on understandings about sexed bodies and produces gendered outcomes.
- Analyse how gender inequalities are embedded, negotiated and challenged in everyday life, and examine the connections between personal and collective experience and larger social and political structures.
- Consider how gender relations are enmeshed with practices of power, and how examination of power dynamics can unlock the potential for social change.

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**SOCIO4056**

General Paper in Sociology

- Demonstrate the sociological imagination(s), knowledge and experience that you have accumulated and developed throughout your university careers in these disciplines, and, in particular, from all the other components of your Honours programmes.
- Utilise the sociological, anthropological and criminological theories and concepts you have learned.

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SOCIO4069

Sociology of Health and Illness

- Explore health and its determinants from a broad range of sociological approaches as well as the relationship between health and the social, political and economic organisation of society.
- Discover the key debates and theories in the sociology of health and illness and gain an understanding of how these debates impact on our understanding of health and illness.
- Examine the possibilities and limits of the sociology of health and illness in relation to health in general.



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A photograph showing several wooden human figures of different sizes on a dark surface. A light-colored wooden ramp is positioned diagonally across the scene, with some figures standing on it and others on the flat surface.

SOCIO4091

Class and Everyday Life

- Explore the continued relevance of class in present conjuncture, examining the role of class in the context of deindustrialisation, individualisation, neoliberalism and austerity.
- Evaluate the prevailing descriptive and analytical approaches to class and develop more expansive notions of class.
- Explore foundational and contemporary studies of class and examine how class manifests in our everyday lives.
- Evaluate the everyday as a key analytical lens for reading class by applying it to everyday topics and your everyday life.



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**SOCIO4099**

Sociological Alternatives: Ways to Change the World

- Examine the role of sociologists in the offering of alternatives and how they might go about doing it.
- Explore difficult questions such as the banning of inheritance, the responses to climate change, the arguments behind the reform/removal/value of pornography, and, whether a basic income would work.
- Utilise these debates and ideas to assess sociology's role in providing ideas for how to make the world better.

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**SOCIO4107**

Critical Migration Studies: Borders, Governance, and Resistance

- Examine the field of critical migration studies, including bordering, governance, and solidarity.
- Analyse what shapes migration policies and bordering practices including colonial histories, racism, and global inequalities.
- Explore how theory and practice fit real-world case studies of migration control and resistance.

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**SOCIO4121**

Digital Society: Digital Technology, Inequality and Culture

- Explore a sociological understanding of the way in which digital technologies are socially shaped and how they feature in the social relations of society and in specific social contexts.
- Develop your understanding of the way digital technology features in social life by covering the history of the Internet and the three main approaches in the social study of technology.
- Examine key areas in the structuring of society through human-technology interactions and the array of social practices that surround and give meaning to the use of digital technology.

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SOCIO4129

Bureaucracy and Violence

- Understand how bureaucratic practices like paperwork can be lethal.
- Explore the role of bureaucracy through interactive sessions on criminal justice, disability, university, health, and migration systems.
- Analyse the way bureaucracy enacts violence through seemingly mundane and impersonal processes that have profound impacts on how we live our lives.

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SOCIO4134

Gender and Nationalism

- Investigate a highly topical issue - nationalism and its relationship to gender - to critically engage with current public debates on the global surge of right-wing populist forces and, more specifically, with recent gendered developments in anti-immigration politics in European societies.

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SOCIO4137

Sociology of Poetry

- Explore the many ways in which poetry matters in the world: how it is read; how it is used; how it can be put to work in peoples' lives.
- Reflect on the role of poetry in the making of social relations and in the context of resistance to inequality.
- Learn about how sociology can help us better understand the political and historical significance of literature.



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**SOCIO4138**

Sociology of Reproduction

- Explore how reproduction is laden with social, cultural, and political meanings and is a strategic site for examining the relationship between bodies, societies and inequalities.
- Examine reproduction in contemporary sociological debates and explore how reproductive politics continues to reverberate in the 21st century.
- Investigate how reproduction has been theorised and conceptualised within sociology and utilise a reproductive justice approach to explore how all politics are reproductive politics.

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**SOCIO4139**

Leisure and Society

- Examine the role of leisure in society and engage with a range of theoretical perspectives on leisure in historical and contemporary contexts, and analyse different leisure practices evaluating multiple and intersecting social, spatial and environmental inequalities.
- Consider leisure as a set of historical, social and geographical practices, as a theoretically driven and contested concept, and as much more.
- Analyse your leisure practices through engagement with theories of leisure, and situate practices in comparative and culturally specific contexts.

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**SOCIO4140**

Youth and Young Adulthood in Contemporary Society

- Enhance your understanding of debates, concepts, and methodologies related to youth transitions and cultures, exploring their relationship with inequalities in the fields of leisure, culture, housing, employment at the intersections of class, gender, race, disability and sexuality.
- Explore methodological research, ethical considerations, and the role of policy in shaping young people's pathways and societal perceptions.
- Analyse continuity and change within young lives, encompassing various strands of the sociology of youth.

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A photograph of a grey metal pole with several white security cameras attached to it. The pole is set against a background of green trees and a cloudy sky. The image is framed within a circular cutout on a teal background.**SOCIO4141**

Spatialities of Crime and Justice

- Analyse how criminology and the study of space are interconnected and examine different theories of space in order to apply these to different areas of criminological research, including youth crime, criminal justice, and gender and crime.
- Explore the relationship between space, crime, and justice and will draw on an interdisciplinary scholarship from criminology, sociology, human geography, and anthropology.

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**SOCIO4142**

Criminology, climate change and the environment

- Examine key legal, ecological, and justice perspectives across green, species, climate, ocean, southern, and Indigenous criminology, including theories of climate governance and species (in)justice.
- Explore links between crime, environmental harm, and global inequalities, while engaging critically with debates on climate change.
- Analyse global case studies to assess criminological theories and their relevance for decolonised approaches to environmental and climate harms.

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**SOCIO4144**

Sociology of Mental Distress and Neurodiversity

- Explore how societies construct and respond to mental distress and neurodiversity, looking at medicine, psychiatry and 'Big Pharma'.
- Use sociology, disability studies and anthropology to examine how mental distress and neurodiversity manifest differently globally, and how these are shaped by social, political, economic, and cultural factors.
- Delve into how people and groups resist dominant ways of understanding 'non-normative minds'.

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SOCIO4145

Science, Technology and the Body

- Explore how developments in science and technology have and continue to shape how we as humans think about our bodies, exploring the social, ethical and political implications of some of these shifts.
- Engage with contemporary debates in science and technology studies; reflect critically on the ethical dimension of new developments in science and technology and identify the kinds of contributions critical social science can make to these debates.
- Utilise co-operative and participatory learning and through a focus on debate.

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A close-up photograph of two hands cupped together, holding a mound of dark brown soil. A small green seedling with four leaves is growing out of the soil. The background is a solid teal color.**SOCIO4149**

The Anthropology of Environment and Health

- Discover what 'health' and 'wellbeing' mean in a time of planetary crisis and consider how changing climates, degraded ecologies, and multispecies relations shape the conditions of life, health, and wellbeing across the world.
- Explore how anthropological theoretical concepts and methodologies intersect with cross cultural, everyday lived experiences through ethnography.
- Analyse global experiences of peoples that expand thinking beyond biomedical models of health to include cultural, social, and political understandings of health and environment.

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The John Smith Youth Poll Project

- Set the themes and write the questions for the high-profile annual UK Youth Poll, shaping the national political discussion around young people.
- Develop practical skills including writing and analysing polls, pitching news stories and writing press releases, writing for public audiences, and managing research projects.



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