

**Faculty of Liberal Arts and Professional Studies
Department of Sociology**

Essay Assignment

Sociology 4345

Due: Week of March 20/2014

Worth 40%

Write an 8-10 page essay —Follow guide below (at least five sources)

The **following elements** are important in a good sociology paper:

- a.** A title page
- b.** Objective
- c.** Thesis or hypothesis
- d.** Counter-argument(s) and theories,
- e.** Organizational scheme. (i.e. This essay shall consist of three parts...)
- f.** Analysis and Conclusion

Bibliography

- Must have at least five sources
- Must also be in alphabetical order and not numbered

Suggested Essay Topics:

Families and Cultural Diversity

Modern Family Structures

Capitalism and Family Functioning

First vs. Third World Families

Poverty and Family in a Global Context

Mate Selection and Marriage

International Families and Kinship Patterns Compared: Japanese, Islamic, Latin, Asian

Note: All final essays should generate data (at least five sources) from texts, journals, and the internet. Make use of the lecture material, however, cite only bibliographical sources, not the lectures. Avoid stringing quotes together. Cite at least two references per page. Consider what theoretical paradigm reflects the thesis of the paper.

Attempt to integrate sociological theory into the analysis of your empirical issue. Consult with 'The Center for Academic Writing' on how to do proper citations.

Also see Johnson, William A., The Sociology Student's Writers Manual HM 585 S638 2006

Do not use footnotes—APA or ASA STYLE REFERENCE