





Sept. 3

1. Course mechanics
(requirements, resources, etc)
2. Course structure
(syllabus review)

Mechanics: syllabus

Syllabus

- ⋮ <https://soci210.netlify.app/>
- ⋮ Links to lecture slides and recordings
- ⋮ List of required and supplementary (optional) readings

Schedule	<u>Introduction and foundations</u>
	<p>Thu, Sept 3</p> <p>Administrative, syllabus review, motivation</p> <p>Lectures:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">⋮ Course mechanics (requirements, resources, etc.) (slides ; video ⋮ Course structure (syllabus review) (slides ; video  <p>Supplementary:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">⋮ McIntosh (2017), <i>Wall-E as Sociological Storytelling</i> (video)⋮ Chelsea Vowel (2016), <i>Beyond territorial acknowledgments</i>
	<p>Tue, Sept 8</p> <p>Making sense of the social world</p> <p>Required:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">⋮ Erikson (2017), <i>The View from the Fourteenth Floor</i>
	<p>Thu, Sept 10</p> <p>Doing social science: methodology and critical engagement</p> <p>Required:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">⋮ Little (2016), chapter 2 <p>Supplementary:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">⋮ Best (2012), chapter 1⋮ Ball (2016), <i>Violence in Blue</i>

Links to slides and recordings

Optional readings

Required readings

Mechanics: reading

Readings

- ⋮ Perusall

log in through MyCourses: “Content” → “Perusall” → “Perusall”

- ⋮ Reading assignments are organized by day

optional readings are tagged

- ⋮ Collaborative annotation: comment, ask, and answer!

The screenshot displays the Perusall interface for a course titled "Fall 2020 - SOCI-210-001 - Sociological Perspectives". The top navigation bar includes the Perusall logo, course information, and a "Created from Desire2Learn" badge. The main content area is divided into sections for assignments, with a focus on the "erikson_2017_ch2" document. The interface shows a list of assignments with due dates and a preview of the selected document. A prominent green button labeled "Work on assignment" is visible at the bottom right of the document preview area.

Perusall > Fall 2020 - SOCI-210-001 - Sociological Perspectives > Assignments **Created from Desire2Learn** Help TS Test Student

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Get started Library **Assignments**

Due Thu Sep 3, 2020 4:00 pm EDT

- Beyond territorial acknowledgments - Špihtawikosisān **Optional**
Entire web page
- Wall-E as Sociological Storytelling **Optional**
Full video

Due Tue Sep 8, 2020 4:00 pm EDT

- erikson_2017_ch2
Entire document

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Assignment not yet opened.

Work on assignment

Mechanics: reading

Reading evaluation

- ∴ Readings are worth 10% of final course grade
- ∴ Each reading is automatically scored 0 points or 1 point
If you did the reading but were not given credit, DM me on Campuswire!
- ∴ Scores based on active engagement with the readings and the annotations
<https://soci210.netlify.app/pages/perusall.html>
- ∴ Students can miss 4 readings over the semester without penalty

Texts

- ∴ (About) 3–4 readings per week
- ∴ **Textbook:**
For background info and terminology
- ∴ **Articles and chapters:**
Examine a particular case / position / method / topic



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Mechanics: communication

Campuswire

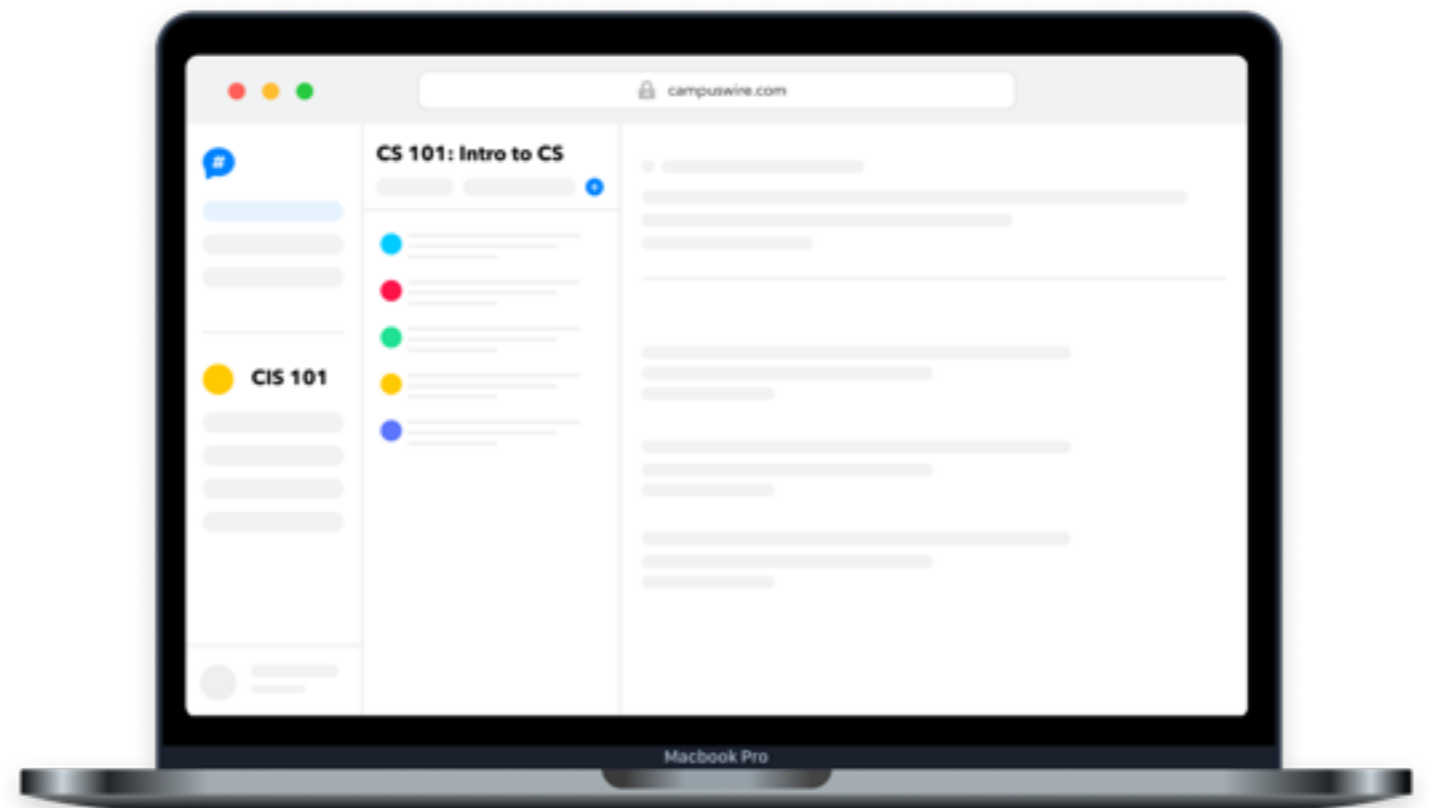
- ∴ All communication will take place using the online tool Campuswire
- ∴ Feed for students to ask and answer questions
- ∴ DMs for communication with instructor, TAs, and classmates
- ∴ Chatrooms for group discussions and other conversations
- ∴ ***Students who reach a reputation of “Advanced” on Campuswire will get a bonus of 2 percentage points on their courses grade at the end of the semester***

Ask relevant questions

Answer others' questions

Upvote good comments & Qs

Receive upvotes



Mechanics: lectures



Photo: [Nathan Dumlao](#)

“Lectures”

- ∴ Lectures will be a vital component of the course
- ∴ Lectures will generally *not* be delivered live
- ∴ Pre-recorded and made available at least 24 hours in advance of class
- ∴ Slides and recordings will be linked from the syllabus

Microsoft stream

- ∴ Lecture recording will be delivered through Microsoft Stream
- ∴ Will have automatically generated, searchable transcripts
- ∴ Access granted through McGill account
- ∴ *DM on Campuswire as soon as possible if you can't access videos*

Mechanics: classes

Next 3 classes (Sept. 8, 10, and 15)

- ∴ *Live* discussions using Zoom and Campuswire
- ∴ Overview of sociological research, methods, and theories
- ∴ Will consist of a mix of Zoom breakout rooms (~5 students per group) and class-wide discussion



Photo: [Chris Montgomery](#)

Remaining classes (Sept. 17 and later)

- ∴ Provide a setting for small group discussions with permanent groups
- ∴ No live lectures
- ∴ Zoom breakout rooms
- ∴ Instructor and TAs will be available for live questions and conversations
- ∴ Attendance is not required from Sept. 17 on;
Zoom rooms will be a resource for groups to do work;
Groups may find another way to meet outside of class time

Mechanics: student groups



Photo: [Zainul Yasni](#)

Group work

- ∴ Group work will be the primary component of the course (50%)
- ∴ Students *must form groups of 5* by Sept 17
- ∴ From Sept 17 on, groups will be responsible for completing a guided discussion using a provided worksheet
- ∴ Write-up due the following day by 8pm (i.e. 8pm on Wed and Fri)

Evaluation

- ∴ Most weeks, groups will submit two write-ups
- ∴ **One** will be chosen randomly for evaluation per week (see syllabus for 10-point rubric)
- ∴ All group members receive the same grade
- ∴ Individual grades will be adjusted at the end of term according to group peer evaluations

Mechanics: final exam

Take-home exam

- ∴ End of term (exact date will be announced by exams office)
- ∴ 72 hours, unproctored
- ∴ ~3 essay questions
- ∴ Open note, open book



Photo: [Green Chameleon](#)