Unit 7: Discussion of the Sociological Perspective and Analysis

## **Directions**

This will be the assignment where you bring in the sociological perspective to the event/issue.

* What theories and concepts within sociology are relevant to this issue?
* How does a sociologist understanding the problem?
* What systems of power are central to understanding this problem?
* How might one’s social location impact your experience of this issue? This paper should be 2-3 pages providing a sociological analysis of the social problem.

Please include at least 3 peer-reviewed sources retried from the Park Library. The supplemental text is a great place to start as well as the journals Annual Review of Sociology, Contexts, Social Forces, and Social Problems all available through the JSTOR database. There are also journals on more specific topics that may be useful for the problem you have selected.

| **Criteria** | **Ratings** | **Pts** |
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| This criterion is linked to a learning outcomeApplication of Sociological Theories and Concepts | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | **45.0 to >25.0 Pts**  **Exceeds Expectations**  The student accurately applies sociological theories and concepts to the social problem. The student effectively utilizes existing research to present the sociological perspective on the social problem. | **25.0 to >0.0 Pts**  **Meets Expectations**  The student somewhat accurately applies sociological theories and concepts to the social problem. The student partially utilizes existing research to present the sociological perspective on the social problem. | **0.0 Pts**  **Does Not Meet Expectations**  The student vaguely applies sociological theories and concepts to the social problem. The student does not utilize existing research to present the sociological perspective on the social problem. | | 45.0 pts |
| This criterion is linked to a learning outcomeReflection and Connection to Systems of Power, Privilege, and Social Location | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | **40.0 to >20.0 Pts**  **Exceeds Expectations**  The student demonstrated a clear understanding of the problem as connected to specific systems of power. An analysis of social location was detailed and accurate. | **20.0 to >0.0 Pts**  **Meets Expectations**  The student demonstrated a vague understanding of the problem as connected to specific systems of power. An analysis of social location was somewhat detailed and accurate. | **0.0 Pts**  **Does Not Meet Expectations**  The student did not demonstrate an understanding of the problem as connected as connected to specific systems of power. An analysis of social location was not detailed or accurate. | | 40.0 pts |
| This criterion is linked to a learning outcomeSources, Readability, and Timely Submission | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | **15.0 Pts**  **Exceeds Expectations**  The paper included at least three peer reviewed and relevant sources. Paper was easy to read. The paper was submitted by the deadline. | **8.0 Pts**  **Meets Expectations**  The paper included less than three peer reviewed sources. The paper was either easy to read or submitted on time, but not both | **0.0 Pts**  **Does Not Meet Expectations**  The paper did not include peer reviewed and relevant sources. The paper was not easy to read and was not turned in on time. | | 15.0 pts |
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