

# Industrial Sociology SOC474

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# MAJOR THEMES OF COURSE

Introduction to sociology. Basic contours of the sociological approach. 1

Key themes in the study of industrial society: summary of main issues from Emile Durkheim, Karl Marx, Max Weber: integration, anomie; alienation, class struggle, transition from feudalism to capitalism; impersonality, technical rationality, bureaucratization, etc. 6

Different forms of material production, distribution and exchange. 4

Origins of industrial society. Early industrialization in England, Germany, France, Japan, USSR and USA. 4

# MAJOR THEMES (cont.)

Industrialization in India. 4

Shifts in modes of organization – scientific management, human relations and contingency approaches. Group processes. 4

Late industrial society. Formal knowledge, the consumer society, culture industry, reflexive modernity. 3

Labour relations. Collective bargaining. Different kinds of trade unions. 4

The future: multiple models of industrialization: collectivist, anarchist, free market, etc. trajectories. 8

Project Presentations 5

# READINGS

At photocopy shop in Hall I

No single textbook. The class is your textbook.

Readings are supplementary texts, not main texts.

# USE OF QUALITATIVE FEEDBACK

- NS: Not Satisfactory. Not understood.
- B: Borderline. Rarely given - only in borderline cases where I am unsure whether or not the student has understood.
- S: Satisfactory. Understood the basic concepts and able to apply them.
- G: Good. Understood the basic concepts and able to apply them and able to discuss the issue in a discerning and critical manner.
- E: Excellent. Same as in Good and has done extra readings that add significantly to understanding.

# WEIGHTAGE

- 2 Classroom exercises - 10 each, total 20
- 2 Mid-Semester exams - 20 each, total 40
- Project - 20
- End-Semester - 20

# OVERALL GRADING

Not Satisfactory == F

Borderline == Usually also F, very rarely D

Satisfactory == C

Good == B

Excellent == A

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