

Week 5 Overview + Course Materials

This week in our reading, we are focusing on culture, primarily the relationship between society and culture, how culture is shaped and the inequalities that can arise by a culture's value system.

Quick Overview of Week 5:

- We'll focus on Chapter 6 in our textbook.
- Your Week 6 News Analysis (NA) is due on Friday
- Your review of the NA of three peers is due by Sunday
- You will also submit your Research Teaching Project for peer review.

Learning Objectives

1. Explain concepts central to sociology, such as society, structure, agency, institutions, inequality, and diversity.
2. Describe and apply the sociological imagination.
3. Relate how diversity informs one's sociological perspective through the study of human differences that exist within system of privilege and oppression.
4. Identify ways sociology is applied in the real world.

Course Materials

Read:

- [Chapter 6: Culture](#): This chapter explores what is culture, how it is defined, how it is studied in different disciplines, what makes up culture, and how it can be used to create inequalities. As you read, consider how culture has impacted you. What misconceptions have you held due to your own culture?

Watch/Listen:

- [Gestures Around the World](#) (2 min): This is a fun video highlighting nonverbal symbols that inform culture. What gestures do you make that others might not recognize or be confused/offended or question?

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