

Sociology 120, Marriage and the Family, Spring 2011, 2:30-3:45 T Th

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This course is intended to help you understand U.S. and other families. There will be two 1 1/2 hour lectures per week, plus discussion sections led by the Teaching Assistants. They are: Taylan Acar (tacar@ssc.wisc.edu), Katie Zaman (zaman@wisc.edu), Emma Shakeshaft (Shakeshaft@wisc.edu), and Padma Priyardashini (padmauw@gmail.com). To register for the course, you must have the two evening exam times available: 5:30-7:00; Tues, Febr 15, and 5:30-7:00 Tues, March 29. The exams will be true-false and multiple choice. Since the three parts of the course are independent, the third exam will not be a cumulative final, and will be during class time on May 5. You need three reading materials:

Andrew Cherlin, Public and Private Families, McGraw-Hill, 2010 edition.

Bert N. Adams, The Family: A Sociological Interpretation. (packet).

Napier and Whitaker, The Family Crucible. Quill, 2002 (Napier).

Date	Subject Matter	Readings
Jan 18	Intro to Course and U.S. Families	
Jan 20	Prof.M. Cancian: "Innovations in Family Policy"	
Jan 25	Cross-Cultural: Biblical Families	Packet, chs 1-2
Jan 27	Family History	Packet, chs 3, 4; Cherlin pp. 3-22; ch 2
Feb 1	Family Theory	Packet, ch 5; Cherlin pp. 22-36
Feb 3	Ham McCubbin: "Multi-Ethnic"	Cherlin ch 4-5
Feb 8	Varieties – Race (Afr-American); Fertility	
Feb 10	Review for Exam	
Tues Feb 15. 5:30-7:00	FIRST EXAM	
Feb 17	Socialization; Adolescence	Cherlin pp. 79-93; ch 9

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Feb 22	“Going Out;” Non-Marital Sex	Packet, ch 9; Cherlin, ch 6
Feb 24	Pairing Up	Cherlin, ch 7
Mar 1	Early Adjustments; Parenting	
Mar 3	Roles; Sexual Adjustments	Cherlin, ch 8
Mar 8	Gender Role Paradigms	Cherlin, pp. 93-106
Mar 10	Men in the Family	Packet, pp. 276-281
Mar 12-20	SPRING BREAK	
Mar 22	Women in the Family	Packet, pp. 281-297
Mar 24	Review for Exam	
Tues, Mar 29, 5:30-7:00 SECOND EXAM		
Mar 31	Communication; Adjusted Relationships	
April 5	Kinship and Aging	Packet, ch 14; Cherlin, ch 10
April 7	Stress & Crises	Packet, pp. 354-366
April 12	Violence	Cherlin, ch 11
April 14	Divorce Law	
April 19	Divorce and Remarriage	Cherlin, chs 12, 13
April 21	Delusions and Therapy	Napier, pp. 1-59, 262-291 (skim rest)
April 26	Commune Case Study	
April 28	Alternatives & the Future	Packet, chs 18-19; Cherlin 14
May 3	Review for Exam	
May 5, 2:30-4:00 THIRD EXAM (classtime)		