

American River College GERONTOLOGY

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Orientation	Quizzes Due	Readings	Lectures	Web Discussion Topics	Handouts/ Other Due Dates
<p>Orientation: Jan 19- 21</p> <p>Note Orientation is just three days.</p> <p>After Orientation this Class' week begins at 12:05 a.m. on Thursday and ends at 11:55p.m. the following Wednesday.</p> <p>Students who do not complete this Orientation will be dropped from the course.</p>	<p>Check for the Orientation Quiz</p>	<p>Read the Orientation Link, Syllabus and surf the site for familiarity</p> <p>Start thumbing through the Annual Editions text for possible topics that interest you for your final topic presentation. In week three you will be asked to post a proposal for your paper. Instructions will be provided.</p>	<p>Orientation Lecture. How to Become An Online Student</p> <p>Need Motivation? Try this video trailer "Young@Heart" has Northampton, Massachusetts seniors engaged in serious, and inspiring, musical performance. They've become famous, but you can see the video trailer at: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Cjnf0Fg717g</p>	<p>Introductions: Are You Ready?</p> <p>Respond to at least two classmates for full credit.</p> <p>Check the link to your right on how discussion boards are graded-cite your work for a superior grade</p> <p>After completing the orientation start week one work. Questions? I'm just a click away</p>	<p>Please be sure to put Gero 300 or Soc 335 in the subject line of your emails to instructor wards@arc.losrios.edu</p> <p>Grading Criteria for Discussion Boards</p> <p>Links to help with your final Topic Presentation. You will want to come back to these links later.</p> <p>Resources below for the</p> <p>How to Organize and Write Your Social Policy Presentation</p> <p>Why Cite it?</p> <p>Research Sources</p> <p>Put the terms NPR and aging in Google and see what pops up</p> <p>Do you know about Google Scholar? http://scholar.google.com</p> <p>Video List- noted throughout this course for extra credit. They must be completed in the week offered. Watch lect and correspondence from me for dates they can be completed. _</p>
Week One	Quizzes Due	Readings	Lectures	Web Discussion Topics	Handouts/ Other Due Dates
<p>Jan 21-27</p>	<p>No Quiz this week</p>	<p><i>Trouble remembering what you</i></p>	<p>Intro/what is Social-</p>	<p>Web # 1: Evaluating Web Sites</p>	<p>Electronic Handouts College Study Tips</p> <p>Semester Planner</p>

		<p>read? Check out this week's handout "College Study Skills" Turn to the section on Reading for retention.</p> <p>Moody Preface page xix and top of xx only <small>(learn why this class is not about dates and facts but critical thinking)</small></p> <p>Prologue xxiii-xxxi</p> <p>If you have not done so check the table of contents of the <i>Annual Editions</i> textbook.</p> <p>Make check marks on the titles that interest you. These should be the focus for choosing a topic for your social policy presentation. You will need to cite at least one other source.</p>	<p><u>Gerontology?</u> <u>Why study Societal Aging</u></p>	<p>Be sure to cite the sources of materials you post (just tell us where you got it) and respond twice. Do this on at least two different days</p> <p>NOTE on citing: We all make assertions that we are sure are true about aging that are actually not correct. By citing your assertions we can catch those misgivings.</p>	<p>For instructions on how to use the planner click here</p> <p>Did you solve the blind spot puzzle? Remember to solve it you must think outside the box. Let us know at the discussion board if you did.</p> <p>DONT MISS THIS IMPORTANT STUDY TOOL. http://www.sagepub.com/moody8e/study/default.htm</p>
Week Two	Quizzes Due	Readings	Lectures	Web Discussion Topics	Handouts/ Other Due Dates
Jan 28-Feb 3	<p>Quiz 1 (One)</p> <p>Located at the quiz link above. It will appear at 12:05 on the first day of the class week</p>	<p>Basic Concept I- A Life Course Perspective on Old Age Pg. 1-26 Cont. to pg. 55-67</p>	<p><u>A Life Course Perspective on Aging</u></p>	<p><u>Biological Theories of Aging</u></p>	<p><u>Modernization Theory</u> <u>Erikson's Psycho/Social Development</u></p> <p>Are you narrowing down the subject for your FINAL Social Policy Presentation? You should be looking at articles and deciding on your subject. E-mail me if you have questions.</p> <p>Instructions for the final assignment can be found under the Electro Handouts section in the Orientation section above</p>
Week Three	Quizzes Due	Readings	Lectures	Web Discussion Topics	Handouts/ Other Due Dates
Feb 4-10	<p>Quiz 2- located at the quiz link above</p>	<p>Controversy 1- Does Old Age Have Meaning? Moody Page 29- 51</p>	<p><u>Does Old Age Have Meaning?</u></p>	<p>This week you will post an outline of what you are planning for your final post.</p>	<p>See Orientation handouts above for materials and instructions for your FINAL Social Policy Posting</p> <p>Find lots of aging-related statistics in one place. The Federal Interagency Forum on Aging-Related Statistics was initially established in 1986, with the goal of bringing together Federal agencies that share a common interest in improving aging-related data</p>

				Tell us the topic <u>What is your subject ?</u> <u>Which resources are you using?</u>	To get all the numbers you need visit: http://www.agingstats.gov/Agingstatsdotnet/Main_Site/About/About_Forum.aspx "A Profile of Older Americans: 2012" from The Administration on Aging at: handouts/Week 3/2012profile.pdf http://www.aoa.gov/Aging_Statistics/Profile/index.aspx NOTE: if you want to ensure a good grade on your final posting? You may send your completed FINAL assignment least two weeks before it is due to have it pre-graded.
Week Four	Quizzes Due	Readings	Lectures	Web Discussion Topics	Handouts/ Other Due Dates
Feb 11-17	Quiz 3 Located at the quiz link above	Skip Controversy 3 Basic Concepts II Aging, Health Care, and Society Moody, P. 133-166	<u>Aging, Health Care and Society</u>	<u>Demographics</u> Respond to classmates postings	Boomers Approaching Midlife http://assets.aarp.org/rqcenter/general/boomers_midlife_2002_1.pdf <u>Demographics</u> <u>Housing Options Made Easy for elders</u> <u>Faulty Fountains of Youth</u>
Week Five	Quizzes Due	Readings	Lectures	Web Discussion Topics	Handouts/ Other Due Dates
Feb 18-24	Quiz 4 Be sure to complete this week's quiz	Should We Ration Health Care for Older People. Mood. p. 167-199 Optional reading- Annual Editions Medicare May Soon Take New Shape	<u>Should We Ration Health Care for Older People?</u>	<u>Rationing Health Care for older Adults</u> Be sure to post in an editorial format. Respond to classmates postings	Bending The Health Care Cost Curve- http://www.commonwealthfund.org/Blog/2012/Jan/Bending-the-Health-Care-Cost-Curve.aspx <u>Elimination of Premature Disease</u>
Week Six	Quizzes Due	Readings	Lectures	Web Discussion Topics	Handouts/ Other Due Dates
Feb 25-March 2	No quiz this week. Put the energy into your posting. Remember this counts for lecture time and is expected to be a bit more in depth	Choose one article from the Experience of Dying section in the Annual Editions. Then look for the extra credit assignment	<u>Cyber Field Trip</u> <u>Cost of Dying</u>	<u>Cost of Dying/ Cyber Field Trip</u>	<u>Why Talk About Death?</u> <u>Rip Off</u> You must read this in order to understand this week's assignment Consumers Guide to Funeral and Cemetery Purchasing. http://www.cfb.ca.gov/consumer/consumer_guide.pdf General Price List 2010 example <u>Chapel of the Angels.</u>

Week Seven	Quizzes Due	Readings	Lectures	Web Discussion Topics	Handouts/ Other Due Dates
March 3-9	Complete Quiz 5	Controversy 5 Should Families Provide for Their Own? Moody pg.201 to end of chapter	<u>Should Families Provide For Their Own?</u>	<u>Long-Term Care</u>	<u>Long Term Care Insurance- To Buy or Not to Buy</u> You should be busy on your final Social Policy Presentation. Remember it is worth 25 points plus the replies (35 points possible). Anytime you want to have your postings checked before the due date submit it two days before the end of the class week to me via email.
Week Eight	Quizzes Due	Readings	Lectures	Web Discussion Topics	Handouts/ Other Due Dates
March 10-16	Complete Quiz 6	Controversy 6- Should Older People Be Protected From Bad Choices? Moody Pg. 239 -end of chapter Annual Editions <i>Will You Live to Be 100?</i> ,	<u>Should Older People Be Protected From Bad Choices?</u>	<u>How long will you live?</u>	<u>Alcoholism in the Elderly</u> "Lost Generation" was a winner of AARP's "U@50" Video Contest and this video has twenty-something's imagining their I beyond age 50-- with perspectives to provoke discussion. This video has "gone viral" and now been viewed by more than 15 mill visitors (no, that's not a typo). See it at: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=42E2fAWM6rA
Week Nine	Quizzes Due	Readings	Lectures	Web Discussion Topics	Handouts/ Other Due Dates
March 17-30- NOTE TWO WEEK TIMELINE Have a great spring break	Complete Quiz 7	Controversy 7 Should People Have The Choice to End Their Lives? Moody pg. 269	<u>Should People Have the Choice to End Their Lives?</u>	<u>Is it ever OK to end life?</u> Respond to classmates	<u>Advanced Health Care Directive</u>
Week Ten	Quizzes Due	Readings	Lectures	Web Discussion Topics	Handouts/ Other Due Dates
March 31-April 6	No quiz, instead work on your Social Policy Presentation	Basic Concept III Social and Economic Outlook for an Aging Society, pg. 301	<u>Social and Economic Outlook for an Aging Society</u>	<u>Looking For A Job, The Economics of Aging</u>	<u>History of the Aging Network</u> http://www.seniorconnection.org/pdf/an_history.pdf <u>California's Aging Network</u> <u>Long Term Care Financing and Social Policy</u>
Week Eleven	Quizzes Due	Readings	Lectures		Handouts/ Other Due Dates

				Web Discussion Topics	
April 7-13	Quiz 8	Controversy 8- Should Age or Need Be the Basis for Entitlements? Moody pg. 335	Should Age or Need Be the Basis for Entitlements?	Public Policy	Historical Ratios of Social Security Workers to Retirees. Social Security Projections of Financial Status Don't Blame the Elderly Victims for the Looting of Social Security
Week Twelve	Quizzes Due	Readings	Lectures	Web Discussion Topics	Handouts/ Other Due Dates
April 14-20	Quiz 9	Controversy 9- What Is the Future of Social Security Moody pg. 375 Annual Editions Do-It-Yourself Financial Freedom	What is the Future of Social Security?	What is the future of Social Security? Respond to classmates postings	How Social Security Works Emotional Cycle of the Market Social Security Update History of Social Security and Medicare Tax Rate Maximums USATODAY.com - Medicare: The next riddle for the ages The 10 Physical, Social, and Political Crises the Boomers w Face Social Security's Enduring Truths
Week Thirteen	Quizzes Due	Readings	Lectures	Web Discussion Topics	Handouts/ Other Due Dates
April 21-27	Quiz 10 -- This is the last week for quizzes, you are done with them!! yea!	Moody "Is Retirement Obsolete?" Page 415	Is Retirement Obsolete?	Calculate Your Retirement	No Handout outs this week Want your final post pre-graded? Email it to me before the end of this week. Paste into your email not as an attachment
Week Fourteen	Quizzes Due	Readings	Lectures	Web Discussion Topics	Handouts/ Other Due Dates
April 28-May 4	NO QUIZ THIS WEEK. YOU ARE DONE WITH QUIZZES FOR THIS COURSE!!!	Controversy 11 Aging Boomers: Boom or Bust Moody pages 455	Aging Boomers-Boom or Bust?	Advocacy For Seniors- A Cyber Field Trip :	
Week Fifteen	Quizzes Due	Readings	Lectures	Web Discussion Topics	Handouts/ Other Due Dates
May 5-11 Please note that next week is finals week and you have just three days to	No Quiz	No text readings	Course Summary	What Will You Do?	No Handouts this week

post your presentation.					
Week Sixteen Finals Week	Quizzes Due	Readings	Lectures	Web Discussion Topics	Handouts/ Other Due Dates
<p>May 12, 13, 16</p> <p>class site will close. Grades will be posted to the I mail account after they are calculated</p>	<p>I am sorry, school policy does not allow me to email grades. Grades will be posted on the eservices system as soon as they are calculated</p>	<p>Read Classmates presentations and respond in the discussion area</p>	<p>no lecture materials this week. You are done!! congratulations.</p>	<p><u>FINAL Researched Social Policy Topic Presentation</u></p> <p>"People are entitled to their own opinions, but they're not entitled to their own facts." Sen. Daniel P. Moynihan</p> <p>Cite your work</p> <p>Read classmate's research and discuss their findings using class theory and concepts. Cite your work. NO WAGS HERE PLEASE</p>	<p>Respond to classmates postings . Last day to post for credit is May. 16th</p>