



LEAD CITY UNIVERSITY
Faculty of Social and Management Sciences
Department of Sociology and Psychology

COURSE PARTICULARS

Course Code: SOC 317

Course Title: Social Group and Social Movements

No. of Units: 2

Status: required

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course is an elaborate study on Social Group and Social Movements. The course will examine the two concepts by focusing on the conceptual meaning of Social Group and Movements. The course opens the student's understanding on the forms, features and classifications of Social Group and what the concept entails. The course will also examine both the historical and contemporary social movements in Nigeria and in other parts of the world and explain the underlying social, economic and political factors that cause their emergence and which influence their evolution. This will be investigated using sociological underpinnings and literature.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

The major goal of this course is to polish student's mind to sociologically examine the concepts of social group and social movements. Students are expected to demonstrate knowledge of the major perspectives in social movements and understand how social movements succeed and/or fail.

ASSESSMENT

Class Attendance	5 marks
Test(s) and Assignments	25 marks
Final Examination	70 marks

LECTURE PLAN

Week	Topic
Week 1	Introduction to concepts: Social Group and Social Movements
Week 2	Social Group: Definition, Meaning and Characteristics
Week 3	Classifications of Social Group: <ul style="list-style-type: none">i. Maclver and Page classificationii. Sorokin classificationiii. Summer classificationiv. C.H Cooley classification
Week 4	Types of Social Group <ul style="list-style-type: none">i. In-groupii. Out-groupiii. Primary groupiv. Secondary groupv. Reference group
Week 5	Social Movements: Definition and Meaning
Week 6	Stages and Levels of Social Movements
Week 7	Theoretical Perspectives on Social Movements I: <ul style="list-style-type: none">i. Relative Deprivation Approachii. Resource Mobilisation Approachiii. New Social Movements
Week 8	Collective Behaviour: Definition and Meaning
Week 9	Forms of Collective Behaviour
Week 10	Theoretical Perspective of Collective Behaviour <ul style="list-style-type: none">i. Emergent-Norm Perspectiveii. Value-Added Perspectiveiii. Assembling Perspective

Week 11	Gender and Social Movements
Week 12	Social Movements in Nigeria

READING LIST

1. Crossley, N. (2003). *Making Sense of Social Movements*. Barnes and Noble; New York
2. Smelser, N. (1962). *Theory of Collective behaviour*. The Free Press, New York
3. Blumer, H. (1969). "Collection behaviour" in Alfred McCheng Lee (ed). *Principles of Sociology*. Barnes and Noble, New York
4. Schaefer, R.T. (2003). *Sociology*. McGraw-Hill International Edition.

TUTORIAL QUESTIONS (12 questions)

1. a. Explain the concepts of Social Group and Social Movements
b. Give five examples each of Social Group and Social Movements
2. Discuss the classifications of Social Group according to:
 - a. Maclver and Page
 - b. Sorokin
 - c. Summer
3. a. What are the types of Social Group?
b. Explain the characteristics of the Primary and Secondary Groups.
4. Discuss the theoretical perspectives of social movement:
 - a. Emergent-Norm Perspective
 - b. Value-Added Perspective
 - c. Assembling Perspective
5. Social Movements occur in various levels? Discuss these levels.
6. Discuss the following approaches to Social Movements:
 - a. Relative Deprivation Approach
 - b. Resource Mobilisation Approach
 - c. New Social Movements
7. Discuss the various forms of Collective Behaviour

8. What are the stages of Social Movement?
9. a. What is Collective Behaviour?
b. Show the link between Collective Behaviour and Social Movements.
10. Write short notes on the following:
 - a. Revolutionary Movement
 - b. Mob
 - c. Reference Group
 - d. In-group and Out-group
11. a. List four Social Movements in Nigeria
b. Discuss the goals and features of the listed Social Movements.
12. Give an elaborate analysis on Gender and Social Movements.