

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY DIVERSITY AND CIVILITY STATEMENT  
SUMMARY  
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The Department of Sociology supports Texas A&M University's commitment to diversity and welcomes individuals of all ages, citizenship, abilities, education, ethnicities, family statuses, genders, gender identities, languages, military experience, political views, races, religions, sexual orientations, socioeconomic statuses, and work experiences (see <http://diversity.tamu.edu/>). As this is a social science class, discussions are to be research-based and should always be presented in a respectful manner when engaging with fellow students, teaching assistants, and instructors. This applies both inside and outside of the classroom, and includes online spaces. The Student Conduct Code Rule 21 regarding appropriate classroom behavior will also be strictly enforced (<https://student-rules.tamu.edu/rule21/>). If a student is being disruptive or disrespectful (rude, inappropriate, unprofessional, and/or harmful to others) either in the classroom or during class-related communications outside of lecture (online or in-person), the instructor or teaching assistant will address this behavior following the department and university disciplinary guidelines. See (<https://liberalarts.tamu.edu/sociology/home-page/diversity/>) for a more detailed discussion of these principles and the rules of conduct.