

Module Specification

Module Summary Information

1	Module Title	Self, Identity and Society
2	Module Credits	20
3	Module Level	6
4	Module Code	SOC6036

5	Module Overview
<p>The aim of this module is to provide students with a critical understanding of how the concepts of 'self' and 'identity' are continually shaped, regulated and maintained through varying aspects of identity formation, social divisions and inequalities. The module focuses on sociological approaches to exploring the 'self' and 'identity' in a social context. Students are encouraged to develop an appreciation of the ways that identities are fluid, complex and, multifaceted. Within the teaching and learning aspects of the module, students are encouraged to consider the ways in which cultural, political, social and economic contexts impact on their own and others' identities through mediated practices, processes and discourse.</p> <p>This module provides the basis within which different although interrelated aspects of identities are explored such as gender, sexuality, social class, 'race', ethnicity and nationality.</p> <p>In relation to the programme aims, this module brings to together the complexities of interrelated aspects of identities in a contemporary social context. Specifically this module relates to the Programme Learning, Teaching & Assessment Strategy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To develop forms of assessment that are positive learning and developmental experiences rather than simply a 'means to an end' To encourage students to critically reflect on how society as a whole is structured and organised, and also on the social experiences of others as well as their own knowledge and social experiences 	

6	Indicative Content
<p>Critical discussions, debates and activities focused on sociological approaches of 'self' and 'identity' in a social context.</p> <p>Module introduction</p> <p>Self, identity and society</p> <p>Exploring a sense of self</p> <p>Social vs personal identity</p> <p>Observations of identities</p> <p>Forming identities</p> <p>Intersecting identities: Racialised and ethnic identities</p> <p>Intersecting identities :Gender, sex and sexuality</p> <p>Intersecting identities :Social class and stratified identities</p> <p>Intersecting identities National identity and citizenship</p> <p>Identity politics</p> <p>Performative identities</p> <p>Narratives of the self</p>	

7	Module Learning Outcomes		
	On successful completion of the module, students will be able to:		
	1	Demonstrate critical evaluation of how the concepts of 'self' and 'identity' are continually shaped, regulated and maintained through varying aspects of identity formation, social divisions and inequalities.	
	2	Demonstrate critical recognition of how multiple intersections shape the processes through which we elaborate our identities;	
	3	Critically evaluate the ways cultural, political, social and economic contexts impact on our own and others' identities;	
	4	Reflect in a critical, thoughtful, evaluative and engaging written manner.	

8	Module Assessment		
Learning Outcome			
	Coursework	Exam	In-Person
1-4	x		

9	Breakdown Learning and Teaching Activities	
Learning Activities	Hours	
Scheduled Learning (SL) includes lectures, practical classes and workshops, peer group learning, Graduate+, as specified in timetable	36	
Directed Learning (DL) includes placements, work-based learning, external visits, on-line activity, Graduate+, peer learning, as directed on VLE	48	
Private Study (PS) includes preparation for exams	116	
Total Study Hours:	200	