





Sociology (SOCI) 348

Fighting Back for the Health of It: Sociology of Environment and Health (Revision 3)

Status: Replaced with new revision, see the [course listing](#)  for the current revision 

Delivery mode: Individualized study online 

Credits: 3

Areas of study: Arts or Social Science

Prerequisites: None

Precluded: None

Challenge: SOCI 348 is not available for challenge.

Faculty: [Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences](#) 

Overview

Sociology 348: Fighting Back for the Health of It: Sociology of Environment and Health is a three-credit, intermediate-level course that explores the relationship between the impacts of industrial activity on the environments in which people live and work and the health of those exposed to these impacts. It also examines movements pushing for justice for migrant farm workers and preventing violence against health care workers.

Outline

- Unit 1: Getting Started
- Unit 2: How Communities Organize to Investigate and Challenge Toxic Exposure
- Unit 3: Popular Epidemiology in Contaminated Communities
- Unit 4: Cancer and the Environment
- Unit 5: Holding Governments, Corporations, and Scientists Accountable
- Unit 6: Justice for Migrant Farmworkers and Violence against Health Care Workers
- Unit 7: Economic Well-Being vs. Human Health—the Emergence and Roles of Social Movements
- Unit 8: Case Studies—Environmental Threats at Home and at Work

Evaluation

Your grade in SOCI 348 is based on the grades you achieve on three tutor-marked assignments and a final examination. To **receive credit** [↗](#) for SOCI 348, you must achieve a grade of **D (50 percent)** [📄](#) on the final examination, and a minimum overall course grade of D (50 percent). The weighting of the composite grade is as follows:

Activity	Weight
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Assignment 1	20%
Assignment 2	5%
Assignment 3	35%
Final Exam	40%
Total	100%

The **final examination** for this course must be requested in advance and written under the supervision of an AU-approved exam invigilator. Invigilators include either ProctorU or an approved in-person invigilation centre that can accommodate online exams. Students are responsible for payment of any invigilation fees. Information on exam request deadlines, invigilators, and other exam-related questions, can be found at the [Exams and grades](#) section of the Calendar.

To learn more about assignments and examinations, please refer to Athabasca University's [online Calendar](#).

Materials

All required materials for this course, including readings and videos, can be found online.

Important links

- › [Questions about our Program](#)
- › [Academic advising](#)
- › [Program planning](#)
- › [Request assistance](#)

› [Support services](#) 

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