SOCIOLOGY OF COMMUNITY

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Class Meetings: Monday, Wednesday, Friday 1:55-2:50 p.m., Coxe 7

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EXPECTATIONS and EVALUATION

Evaluation: We will have three integrative (theoretical/self reflexive/activist) papers and a final project. You will participate in one group reading presentation, one group community service presentation, and be an active and quality participant in the class/community providing positive contributions to our activities and discussions. We will ask the group to evaluate your "public" work, and ask each student for a self-evaluation, both to be considered in the earning of final grades. **Full attendance and participation** by you in class, community service activity, group exercises, including but not limited to email, field trips, campouts, ropes course, films and pot-luck dinners is expected. Absences deprive the group of the richness of your feeling intellect.

Required Texts and Topics:

Visions of Community -- Problems and Issues:

Kempers, Community Matters

Alienation and Hope: Case Studies in Community Making

Kanter, Commitment and Community

Skinner, Walden Two, Reissued

Covington, Salvation on Sand Mountain

Thomsen, Living Poor: A Peace Corps Chronicle

Visioning Community in the 21st Century

Oldenburg, Great Good Place

Loeb, Soul of A Citizen

Robbins, Skinny Legs and All

ALL PREPARATION SHOULD BE COMPLETED BY THE MONDAY OF THE WEEK FOR WHICH IT IS DUE. Come prepared to speak in class about the assigned reading.

SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES AND READING

ITEM DATE EVALUATION CRITERIA

	AIL	EVALUATION CRITERIA
Paper One: Locating Myself in Community Challenges and Possibilities	Fri,9/20	Quality (20%)
Paper Two: Utopia and Dis-Utopia: Positive and Negative Communities	Fri, 10/25	Quality (20%)
Paper Three: Community Service Challenges and Possibilities	Fri.,11/15	Quality (20%)
Final Project/Activity	Fri, 12/6	Quality (20%)
Reading Group Acting Out!	As scheduled	Quality (10%)
Community Service Group Presents!	As scheduled	Quality (10%)
Sunrise Breakfast at Taghannock Falls	//	Attendance and Participation
Team Challenge - Ropes Course	//	Attendance and Participation
Let's Go Camping!	//	Attendance and Participation
Community Service Site Volunteer	//	Attendance and Participation
Pot Luck Supper 1 (Who Am I - Show and Tell!)	//	Attendance and Participation
Pot Luck Supper 2 (The Ethnic Me!)		Attendance and Participation

Read-Kempers, Community Matters	Mon, Sept 9	Completion
Read -Kanter,Commitment & Com	Mon, Sept 23	Completion
Read –Skinner, Walden Two, Reissued	Mon, Sept 30	Completion
Read -Covington, Salvation on Sand	Wed, Oct 16	Completion
Read -Thomsen, Living Poor	Mon, Oct 28	Completion
Read –Oldenburg, Great Good Place	Mon, Nov 11	Completion
Read-Loeb, Soul of A Citizen	Mon, Nov 25	Completion
Read -Robbins, Skinny Legs & All	Mon, Dec 2	Completion