Brussels Study Tour 2018

Post-Secondary Faculty Course Module Planning Template

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Course Title/Module Title: The Family in Europe
Discipline: Sociology

Course/Module Narrative:

The Family in Europe

Course Objectives:

- → Upon completion, students should be able to analyze the family as a social institution and the forces which influence its development and change.
- → The course will allow students to make comparisons between what they have learned in their Sociology of the Family course and new information about the European Union member states

Module Objectives/Learning Objectives:

- → Students will investigate trends and statistics from the European Union countries, framing sign problems and conducting well-crafted and age-appropriate research.
- → Students will recognize perspectives, others' and their own, articulating and explaining such perspectives thoughtfully and respectfully, regarding the "family" in Europe and the USA.

Assigned Readings

- → Women's labor force participation rates (in Europe and USA)
- → Child poverty rates (in Europe and the USA)
- → Family leave report (in Europe, from OECD)

Content & Delivery

Course Content

→ The course will cover the historic foundation of the family, and the current trends and issues facing the family as an institution. Topics include immigration, LGBTQ families, marriage and divorce, love and mate selection, raising families, violence and abuse, race and social class, and the future of the family. Instruction & Delivery (lecture, discussion, work, etc.)

→ Online course

Assessment

→ A final exam that weaves together the information from the research as well as reflections on t policy differences between the European Union and the USA.

Resources and Materials

http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/tgm/refreshTableAction.do?tab=table&plugin=1&pcode=t2020_10&languhttps://www.statista.com/statistics/192378/number-of-employed-women-in-the-us-since-1990/

http://www.oecd.org/els/soc/CO 2 2 Child Poverty.pdf

http://www.oecd.org/els/family/database.htm

https://www.oecd.org/els/family/PF2-2-Use-childbirth-leave.pdf

http://www.oecd.org/els/soc/PF2 1 Parental leave systems.pdf

The Family, by Cohen