

0101S325

Population and Society

Instructor: TBA

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Time: December 14, 2026 - January 15, 2027

Office Hours: by appointment

Contact Hours: 60 (50 minutes each)

Credits: 4

Course Description

In this course we will study the impact of population processes and events on human societies. The main topics covered in this course including mortality, fertility, migration, population change and distribution.

Course Goals

By the end of the course, students will be able to:

- Analyze major population processes including fertility, mortality, migration and population aging.
- Apply demographic theories and concepts to real-world social issues such as inequality, health, urbanization, family change and environmental sustainability.
- Interpret and evaluate population data using basic demographic measures, graphs and statistical indicators to assess population trends and policy implications.
- Critically assess the social, ethical and political dimensions of population change,

including the ways population dynamics intersect with race, class, gender and global power relations.

Required Textbook(s)

Reading materials will be provided by the instructor.

Evaluation:

Exams	60%
Paper	30%
<u>Quizzes</u>	<u>10%</u>
Total	100%

Course Outline

Please note that the outline is meant to give an overview of the major concepts in this course. Changes may occur as needed to aid in the student's development.

Module 1	Introduction to Demography Quiz: Module Review
Module 2	Global Population Trends Quiz: Module Review
Module 3	Demographic Perspectives Demographic Data Quiz: Module Review Exam 1
Module 4	The Health and Mortality Transition Quiz: Module Review

Module 5	The Fertility Transition Quiz: Module Review
Module 6	The Migration Transition The Age Transition Quiz: Module Review Exam 2
Module 7	The Urban Transition Quiz: Module Review
Module 8	The Family and Household Transition Quiz: Module Review
Module 9	Population and Sustainability What Lies Ahead? Exam 3 Assignment: Final Paper

Grading Scale

The instructor will use the grading system as applied by JNU:

Definition	Letter Grade	Score
Excellent	A	90~100
Good	B	80~89
Satisfactory	C	70~79
Poor	D	60~69
Failed	E	Below 60

Academic Integrity

As members of the Jinan University academic community, students are expected to be honest in all of their academic coursework and activities. Academic dishonesty, includes (but is not limited to) cheating on assignments or examinations; plagiarizing,

i.e., misrepresenting as one's own work any work done by another; submitting the same paper, or a substantially similar paper, to meet the requirements of more than one course without the approval and consent of the instructors concerned; or sabotaging other students' work within these general definitions. Instructors, however, determine what constitutes academic misconduct in the courses they teach. Students found guilty of academic misconduct in any portion of the academic work face penalties that range from the lowering of their course grade to awarding a grade of E for the entire course.