Course Content

This course will outline and analyse modern British society using sociological perspectives. It will examine trends in family life, educational performance, employment patterns, ethnic relations, religious observance, social mobility, crime and social welfare provision.

Throughout, there will be sociological analysis of the patterns witnessed with particular attention paid to gender and ethnic relations and other sources of stratification. These topics will be explored using both data and sociological theories.

Weekly classes will consist of both lecture inputs and class discussions and aim to equip students with the skills and confidence to discuss and evaluate multiple facets of contemporary British Society.

Intended Learning Outcomes

By the end of this course you should have a knowledge and understanding of:

▪ the main features of social life in modern Britain

▪ the theories and concepts used within sociology to debate and explain the features of social life in modern Britain

▪ the key literature in relation to the topics under scrutiny.