100 Sociological TED Talks

There will be 3 TED Talks you will review over the course of the semester. Each of the three sections of the class will include numerous TED Talks you can choose from. You will review a TED Talk viewed in class or from the list provided. The TED Talk Reviews will be on Canvas. The reviews will feature numerous questions on what TED Talk you have chosen and its implications within sociology. These reviews are will demonstrate your ability to use critical thinking skills when applying sociological concepts.

1. Aaron Huey - America's native prisoners of war
2. Adam Grant - The surprising habits of original thinkers
3. Al Gore - New thinking on the climate crisis
4. Angélica Dass - The beauty of human skin in every color
5. Barry Schwartz - The paradox of choice
6. Ben Ambridge - 10 myths about psychology: debunked
7. Brian Little - Who are you, really? The puzzle of personality
8. Bryan Stevenson - We need to talk about an injustice
9. Cameron Russell - Looks aren't everything. Believe me, I'm a model.
10. Carol Craig at TEDxGlasgow - Enlightenment in the age of materialism:
11. Caroline Heldman at TEDxYouth@SanDiego - The Sexy Lie
12. Cecilia Beltran at TEDxEast - Why we believe in myths
13. Clay Shirky - How cellphones, Twitter, Facebook can make history
14. Clay Shirky - How cognitive surplus will change the world
15. Colin Stokes - How movies teach manhood
16. Colin Stokes at TEDxBeaconStreet- The hidden meanings in kids' movies |
17. Dada Gunamuktananda at TEDxNoosa 2014 - Consciousness -- the final frontier
18. Dave Brain - What a planet needs to sustain life
19. Dave Oswald Mitchell at TEDxRegina - The grammar of social change:
20. David Christian - The history of our world in 18 minutes
21. David Pizarro - The strange politics of disgust
22. Devdutt Pattanaik - East vs. West -- the myths that mystify
23. Dorothy Roberts - The problem with race-based medicine
24. Dr. Zhana Vrangalova at TEDxCollegeofWilliam&Mary - Is Casual Sex Bad For You?
25. Eric Whitacre - A virtual choir 2,000 voices strong
26. Erin Gruwell at TEDxChapmanU - Becoming a Catalyst for Change
27. Esther Perel - Rethinking infidelity ... a talk for anyone who has ever loved
28. Graham Hancock - The War on Consciousness BANNED TED TALK
29. Hannah Fry - Is life really that complex?
30. Hans Rosling - Asia's rise -- how and when
31. Hans Rosling - Global population growth, box by box
32. Hans Rosling - Insights on HIV, in stunning data visuals
33. Hans Rosling - Let my dataset change your mindset
34. Hans Rosling - Religions and babies
35. Hans Rosling - The best stats you've ever seen
36. Hans Rosling - The good news of the decade? We're winning the war against child mortality
37. Hans Rosling - The magic washing machine
38. Hans Rosling, Ola Rosling - How not to be ignorant about the world
39. Helen Fisher - Technology hasn't changed love. Here's why
40. Isaac Lidsky - What reality are you creating for yourself?
41. James Glattfelder at TEDxSalford - The consciousness of reality
42. Jane Goodall - What separates us from chimpanzees?
43. Jeff Speck - The walkable city
44. Jeffrey Kluger - The sibling bond
45. Jennifer Golbeck - Your social media "likes" expose more than you think
46. Jia Jiang - What I learned from 100 days of rejection
47. Jon Ronson - Strange answers to the psychopath test
48. Jonathan Haidt - Religion, evolution, and the ecstasy of self-transcendence
49. Jonathan Haidt and Chris Anderson - Can a divided America heal?
50. Joshua Katz at TEDxUniversityofAkron - Toxic culture of education
51. Joshua Prager - Wisdom from great writers on every year of life
52. Julia Galef - Why you think you're right -- even if you're wrong
53. Kio Stark - Why you should talk to strangers
54. LaToya Ruby Frazier - A visual history of inequality in industrial America
55. Lux Narayan - What I learned from 2,000 obituaries
56. Majora Carter - Greening the ghetto
57. Maria Bezaitis - Why we need strangeness
58. Mariano Sigman - Your words may predict your future mental health
59. Matthieu Ricard - The habits of happiness
60. Megan Phelps-Roper - I grew up in the Westboro Baptist Church. Here's why I left
61. Morgan Spurlock - The greatest TED Talk ever sold
62. Niklaus Fluetsch at TEDxZUG - My true gender identity
63. Oliver Sacks - What hallucination reveals about our minds
64. Paul Zak - Trust, morality — and oxytocin?
65. Peggy McIntosh at TEDxTimberlaneSchools - How Studying Privilege Systems Can Strengthen Compassion
66. Philip Zimbardo - The psychology of evil
67. Philip Zimbardo at TEDxRawaRiverSalon - Why boys are failing?
68. R. Luke DuBois - Insightful human portraits made from data
69. Rachel Botsman - The currency of the new economy is trust
70. Rachel Botsman - We've stopped trusting institutions and started trusting strangers
71. Read Montague - What we're learning from 5,000 brains
72. Riccardo Sabatini - How to read the genome and build a human being
73. Robert Waldinger - What makes a good life? Lessons from the longest study on happiness
74. Sal Khan - Let's teach for mastery -- not test scores
75. Sam Richards at TEDxLacador - The wisdom of sociology
76. Sam Richards at TEDxPSU - A radical experiment in empathy
77. Sarah-Jayne Blakemore - The mysterious workings of the adolescent brain
78. Shane Koyczan - "To This Day" ... for the bullied and beautiful
79. Shane Logan at TEDxUCDavis - Sociology of Mixed Martial Arts:
80. Shawn Achor - The happy secret to better work
81. Sherry Turkle - Connected, but alone?
82. Simon Anholt - Which country does the most good for the world?
83. Sir Ken Robinson - Bring on the learning revolution!
84. Sir Ken Robinson - How to escape education's death valley
85. Sir Ken Robinson and Amanda Palmer - Expanding our definition of smart
86. Sophie Scott - Why we laugh
87. Stacy Smith - The data behind Hollywood's sexism
88. Stefana Broadbent - How the Internet enables intimacy
89. Steven Pinker - The surprising decline in violence
90. Sue Klebold - My son was a Columbine shooter. This is my story
91. Tali Sharot - The optimism bias
92. Thandie Newton - Embracing otherness, embracing myself
93. Tim Harford - How frustration can make us more creative
94. Titus Hjelm at TEDxUCL - Why we need a sociology of the dark side
95. Vernā Myers - How to overcome our biases? Walk boldly toward them
96. Vicki Arroyo - Let's prepare for our new climate
97. Wade Davis - Dreams from endangered cultures
98. Yee Won Chong at TEDxRainier - Beyond the Gender Binary:
99. Zak Ebrahim - I am the son of a terrorist. Here's how I chose peace
100. Zeynep Tufekci - Online social change: easy to organize, hard to win