

<b>Module Code</b>	AA-3308 / AG-3404			
<b>Module Title</b>	Sociology of the Body			
<b>Type of Module:</b> Bachelor of Arts: Degree Core (Option)/Breadth/Minor Core				
<b>Modular Credits: 4</b>	<b>Student Workload:</b>	8-10 hours per week		
	<b>Contact hours for timetabling:</b>	2 hours per week		
<b>Prerequisite:</b>	None			
<b>Antirequisite:</b>	None			
<b>Aims/Objectives/Rationale:</b>  This course focuses on the human body not as a biological organism but as a social construct. Every culture has to deal with the physical reality of the body and develops its own theories about and therapies for the body. These include notions of health and illness and of beauty and ugliness and social practices that are aimed at maintaining or regaining the integrity of the body.				
<b>Course Content:</b>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• the social construction of the body</li><li>• the sociology of health and illness</li><li>• comparative health care systems</li><li>• cultures of bodily beauty: cosmetics and fitness industries</li><li>• the sociology of food</li><li>• the sociology of aging</li></ul>				
<b>Assessment</b>	Examination: (2 hours)	50%	Course Work: 2 short essays (@ 20% each) 1 presentation report (10%)	50%
<b>Textbook(s) References :</b>  Becker, A. (1995) <i>Body, Self and Society</i> . Philadephia, PA: University of Pennsylvania. Counihan, C. M. (1999). <i>The Anthropology of Food and Body</i> . London: Routledge. Nettleton, S. (1995). <i>The Sociology of Health and Illness</i> . Cambridge: Polity Press. Turner, B. (1996). <i>The Body and Society</i> . London: Sage.				
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