

INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY

Study of *social forces*: how they come about, how they shape our lives

ex. Marriage, stereotypes, race, capitalism

To study this need *Sociological Imagination*:

Subordinated people tend to have more imagination

Examples of sociological studies/knowledge:

1. Suicide: religion and social integration
2. Friendships
3. Employee satisfaction
4. Strip tease
5. Information seeking among cancer patients
6. Organizational bureaucracy and productivity
7. Race and dumps

Social vs. Hard Sciences:

Compare/contrast Sociology to other Social Sciences:

Psych, Anthropology, Poly Sci, Econ

Ask students for topics

List on the board and show overlap/gaps between disciplines

Macro/Micro

Applied vs. Basic