Description

University life will be discussed and analyzed, as will the relation of university to "success" in the Canadian cultural context. In addition to discussions connecting higher education to career mobility and scholarship, we shall focus upon the current transformation of popular culture into peep culture.

Some Topics We Might Cover as Part of Our Learning Agenda

What the Students Are Saying
Funding Today's Universities
Corporate Capital and the Academy
The University as Edubusiness
The Role of Administration in the University
Technocratic Management in the University
Social Control in the University
Dialogic Communication, Self Development, and the Search for Wisdom
The University Hierarchy
The Hierarchy of Universities
The University as Bureaucracy
"The Political Correctness Debate"
Ethical/Value Neutrality and the University
"Science" as the Language of the University
Sexism in the University
Racism in the University
The Hidden Curriculum of the University
Cultural Capital and the University
Unionism and University Workers
"Academic Freedom," "University Community," and "Collegiality"
Ideology, "liberalism," and the University
Social Change in/and the University
Government and the University
On Knowing and the University
Critical Pedagogy and the University
Technology and the University
The University and "Distance Education"
Teaching and Research in the University
Postmodernity and the University
Day-to-Day Life at the University
The University as Popular Culture
Textbooks (Available at Lakehead University)


Optional:


On Plagiarism: Plagiarism and other forms of academic dishonesty will be dealt with according to the University regulations (see Lakehead University Calendar).

Final Note: You will be presented with further information concerning course requirements, assignments, evaluation procedures, and any other relevant material which we shall need to discuss as a group on the first day of class, Tuesday, September 14, 2010.

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