

Sociology 211: Criminology

10/27/09



The UM Criminology Club Presents: **Internship Night**



Sociology majors from all of the emphasis areas are encouraged to come.

Find out about internship requirements.

Learn about a new program that provides \$1,000 educational vouchers to students completing a 300-hour internship.

Guest speakers from a few current internship placements will be available.

Internship Night is Thurs., Oct. 29th at 7pm in SS 356

- Want to do an internship or service learning project?
- Want to earn a voucher worth \$1,000 towards your future education or to pay off student loans?

Come to Internship Night!

Thursday, October 29th, 7 PM in SS 356

Hear all about internships through the Sociology Department and find out more about the Campus Corps Program.

The Campus Corps program provides an AmeriCorps Educational Award of \$1,000 to students who complete 300 hours of service in a nonprofit organization or government agency. The Educational award can be used (or saved for up to 7 years) to pay expenses associated with future education or to repay qualifying student loans.





Sociology Majors:

If you haven't already done so, sign up for an academic advising appointment soon.

You must meet with your academic advisor before registering for Spring semester classes. Sign-up sheets are on or near your advisor's office door.

Don't know who your advisor is ?????

Check the list on the wall across from the Sociology Department Office (Social Sciences 333).

True and false questions are worth 1 point each.

Multiple choice questions are worth 2 and $\frac{1}{2}$ points each.

Short answer questions are worth 5 points each.

Total points for the test = 75

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Points lost:

True or false -2

Multiple choice -12 1/2

Short answer -5

Total points lost -19 1/2

Test score (out of 75 possible points) 55 1/2

Distribution of Scores

67.5 to 75 29

60 to 67 34

52.5 to 59.5 25

45 to 52 18

0 to 44.5 14

Median score = 60.5

- III. Sociological Theories of Crime (Part 1)
 - A. An overview and introduction
 - B. Learning theories
 - 1. Differential association theory
 - a. Sutherland's nine propositions
 - b. criticisms of differential association theory
 - 2. The effect of TV and other mass media on crime
 - 3. Burgess and Akers' social learning theory
 - 4. Criminal subculture theories
 - a. the cycle of violence
 - b. subcultures of violence
 - 5. Policy implications of learning theories
 - C. Anomie/Strain Theory
 - 1. Merton's anomie theory
 - 2. Other anomie theories
 - a. middle class measuring rod
 - b. differential opportunity theory
 - c. general strain theory
 - 3. Policy implications
 - D. Conclusions Regarding Sociological Theories (Part I)

III.B.1. Differential Association Theory

- Invented by Edwin Sutherland in the 1930's.
- Consists of 9 statements or propositions.



Edwin
Sutherland
1883-1950

III.B.1. Differential Association Theory

8. The process of learning criminal behavior by association with criminal and anticriminal patterns involves all the mechanisms that are involved in any other learning.

III.B.1. Differential Association Theory

9. While criminal behavior is an expression of general needs and values, it is not explained by those general needs and values, since noncriminal behavior is an expression of the same needs and values.

III.B.1. Differential Association Theory

b. Criticisms of Sutherland's Differential Association Theory:

- Some crimes are not learned from others.
- **The theory is difficult to test.**

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Hanging out with delinquents → Becoming delinquent

Becoming delinquent → Hanging out with delinquents

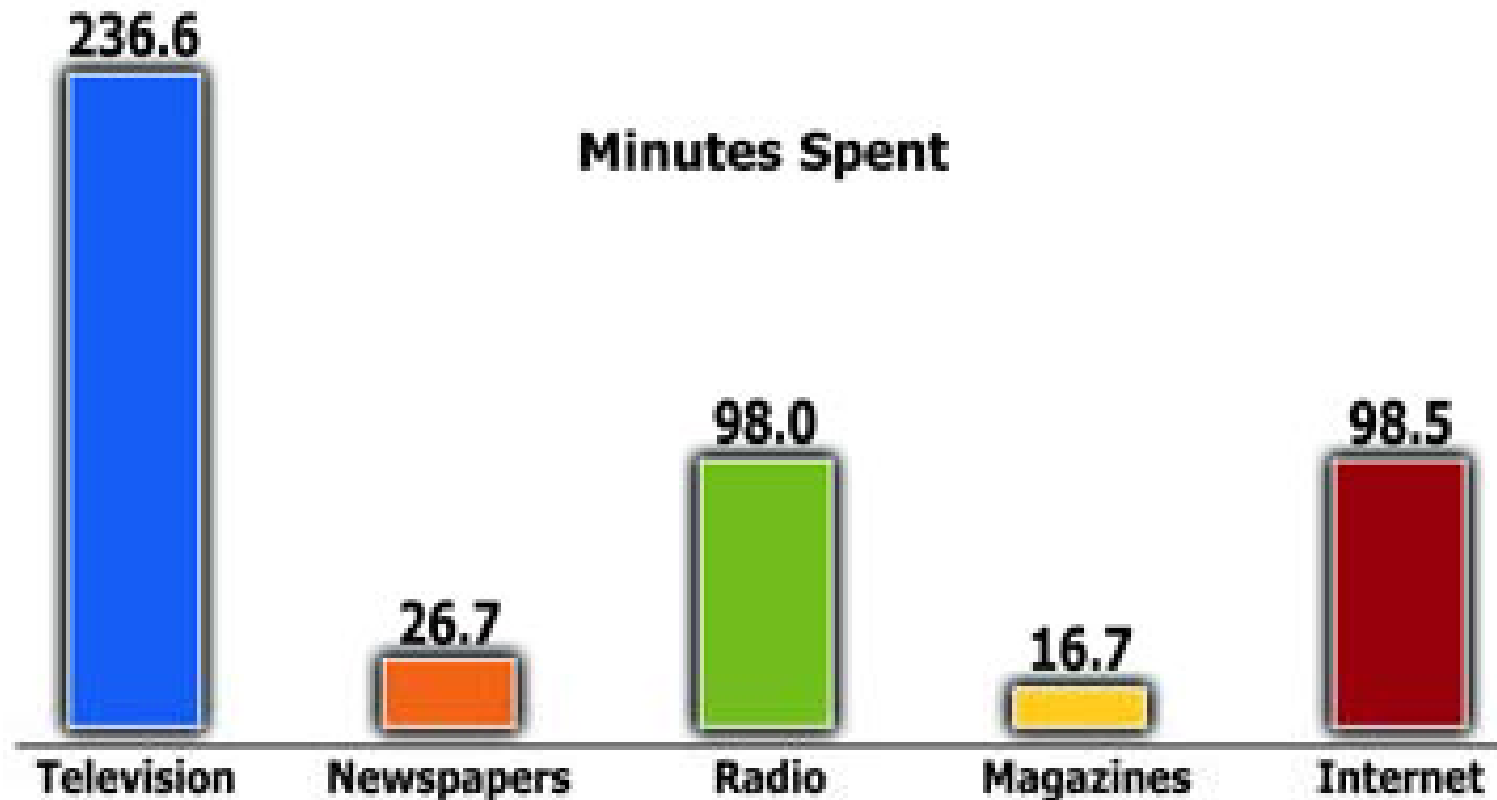
Causal Order?

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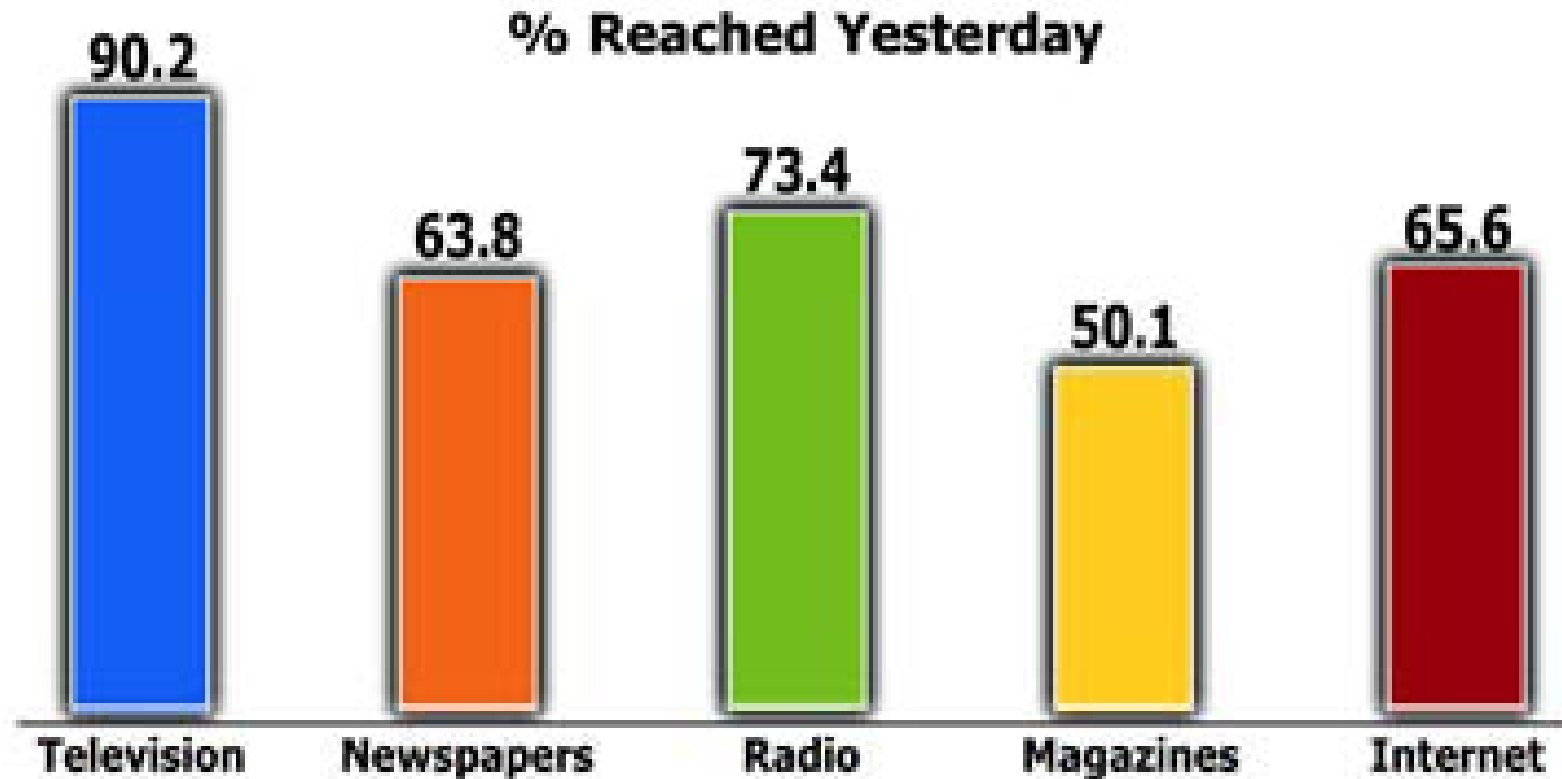
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- The theory is difficult to test.
- **The theory underestimates the influence of the mass media on crime.**

Adults Spend More Time With Television Each Day Than They Do With Any Other Medium



Source: TVB, Nielsen Media Research Custom Survey 2008

Television Reaches More Adults Each Day Than Any Other Medium



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II.B.2 Mass Media and Crime

Wrestling with Manhood: Boys, Bullying, & Battering

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