Sociology in Film

Choose a film from the following list. You are to view this film and write a two-to-three-page analysis of the film. (A two-to-three-page essay must be a minimum of two full pages.) Your analysis should discuss sociological concepts you see in the film. Because this essay requires a sociological analysis, you cannot actually complete this assignment until later in the term. I will grade your essay on its organization, incorporation of sociological concepts, and readability (i.e., proper grammar and mechanics). Do not use direct quotes from the movie.

You should be able to find these movies through various streaming sites, at your local library, or wherever you rent movies.

*You can find a summary of these films on IMDB or Rotten Tomatoes. Only one student may view each film, so the selections are first come, first served.

Your analysis is due via Blackboard by 11:59 p.m. on Friday, April 5.

- American beauty (1999)
- The associate (1996)
- Blade runner (1982)
- Blade runner 2049 (2017)
- Boyz in the hood (1991)
- The Breakfast Club (1985)
- Brokeback Mountain (2005)
- A bug’s life (1998)
- Clueless (1995)
- The deer hunter (1978)
- Do the right thing (1989)
- Fight club (1999)
- The Florida project (2017)
- Fried green tomatoes (1991)
- Full metal jacket (1987)
- GBF (2013)
- The gods must be crazy (1980)
- Gosford Park (2001)
- The help (2011)
- I, Tonya (2017)
- A knight’s tale (2001)
- Kramer vs. Kramer (1979)
- Lady Bird (2017)
- Little Miss Sunshine (2006)
- Lord of the flies (1963 / 1990)
- Mean girls (2004)
- Metropolis (1927)
- Mississippi burning (1988)
- Norma Rae (1979)
- Office space (1999)
- One flew over the cuckoo’s nest (1975)
- Ordinary people (1980)
- Pretty woman (1990)
- Rebel without a cause (1955)
- Save the last dance (2001)
- Shawshank redemption (1994)
- Table 19 (2017)
- The Stanford prison experiment (2015)
- The Stepford wives (2004)
- The Truman show (1998)
- Titanic (1997)
- Trainspotting (1996)
- Varsity blues (1999)
- Wall Street (1987)
- Wedding crashers (2005)

*If you have another film you would like to watch instead, you must clear it with the instructor first.