

Learning Goals for the Sociology Program

Students who complete a major in sociology will

1. Engage in critical questioning about their society, its social structure, and the larger world in which they live;
2. Develop critical sociological thinking skills in reasoning, theoretical analysis, interpretation of research findings, and the general ability to separate fact from misinformation and rhetorical manipulation in order to engage the institutions and cultures of the multiple societies in this global community;
3. Engage in research of various types with the goal of answering questions about the nature of human society and its diversity, cultures, human interactions, social structures, and issues related to social justice; and
4. Develop as whole persons with their completion of a successful educational program with its implications for continued learning and a successful work life, and a commitment to lifelong civic engagement.

Alignment with Academic Learning Goals

Graduates will	1	2	3	4
Demonstrate an integrative knowledge of the human and natural worlds;	X	X	X	
Develop habits of critical analysis and aesthetic appreciation;	X	X		X
Apply creative and innovative thinking;	X	X	X	
Communicate skillfully in multiple forms of expression;		X	X	
Act competently in a global and diverse world;	X	X	X	X
Understand and promote social justice;			X	X
Apply a framework for examining ethical dilemmas;		X	X	X
Employ leadership and collaborative skills;				X
Understand the religious dimensions of human experience.				

Alignment with Assessment Measures

Measure	1	2	3	4
Major Field Test	Direct	Direct		
Methods Course Project/Paper	Direct	Direct	Direct	
Course Evaluations	Indirect	Indirect	Indirect	
Senior Exit Surveys	Indirect	Indirect	Indirect	
Alumni Surveys	Indirect	Indirect	Indirect	Mixed