



**College of Sciences
Academic Learning Compacts**

Sociology, B.A.

Discipline Specific Knowledge, Skills, Behavior and Values

1. Sociology majors will understand the importance of ethics and the ethical treatment of research subjects in typical types of Sociological research.
2. Sociology majors will understand the influence of diversity, social inequality, and social forces in society as well as how they impact individuals in society.
3. Sociology majors will understand the role of theory in sociology, such that the student will be able to define theory, describe its role in building sociological knowledge, and use it to describe areas of social reality.

Critical Thinking

4. Sociology majors will be able to understand and interpret research results as they are represented in tables, graphs, bar charts, and other types of diagrams.
5. Sociology majors will be able to critically analyze the contributions and importance of theories and prior research in the field.
6. Sociology majors will demonstrate the ability to use the research methods of sociology and effectively interpret data.

Communication

7. Sociology majors will be able to effectively communicate using written word.
8. Sociology majors will be able to effectively communicate using computers and presentational tools (e.g., power point, poster presentation).

Assessment of Sociology, B.A. Outcomes

These outcomes will be assessed using a variety of assessment methods, including:

- tests
- research projects
- papers
- oral and written presentations