

Sociology:

Learning Outcomes: Students completing the BS Sociology degree should

- be able to communicate (orally and in writing) how sociology contributes to an understanding of social reality (LO1)*
- understand theoretical and methodological approaches to description and interpretation (LO2)
- understand basic concepts, perspectives, and their interpretive applications (LO3)
- understand the nature of culture and social structure (LO4)
- understand the reciprocal relationship between the individual and society (LO5)
- understand the diversity of American society (LO6)
- demonstrate an ability to think critically (LO7)
- show specific knowledge in one subfield of sociology (LO8)

Program curriculum outcomes were assessed by the Sociology faculty in the light of their assessment of current trends within the discipline and the job market. The program learning outcomes were assessed by determining which undergraduate sociology courses met one or more of the above outcomes. Each course itself was assessed in terms of its own student learning outcomes and how those outcomes were met according to the course's syllabus, e.g., exams, research papers, journals, presentations, various written exercises, etc. A matrix was created for each course to identify which program curriculum outcomes its stated student learning outcomes met and how each course's student learning outcomes were met. Because there are approximately 40 courses available to in the catalog, space does not permit including here the matrix for each individual course. Individual course matrices are available in the office of the department chair. A matrix of all courses was created to identify which courses met particular program curriculum outcomes.

Sociology Courses and Program Curriculum Learning Outcomes They Meet*

Course	LO1	LO2	LO3	LO4	LO5	LO6	LO7	LO8
1101	X	X	X		X	X	X	
1160	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
2203+								
3100	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
3134	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
3273**								
3293		X	X			X	X	X
3603	X	X	X			X	X	X
3623+								
3733	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
3743	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
3804		X	X				X	X
3943+								
3954		X	X		X			X

4000	X	X	X				X	X
4003	X	X	X		X		X	X
4053	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
4100		X	X			X	X	
4103**								
4153+								
4182	X		X	X	X	X	X	
4203+								
4323			X	X	X	X	X	X
4333+								
4373	X	X		X	X	X	X	X
4440	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
4441	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
4513	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
4543	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
4613	X	X	X	X	X		X	X
4623	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
4693	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
4734	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
4803	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
4913	X	X		X	X	X	X	X
4984			X			X	X	

* Not listed: 4386 (Internship), 4981 (Directed Readings), 4999 (Special Seminars)

** Instructor located in Dept of Management & Business Systems; Program LOs not specifically identified on syllabus

+ Last time courses offered LOs not clearly identified, but will be when next offered