

## Academic Learning Compact

***Degree Program: Sociology (BS) (CIP Code 45.1101)***

Intended Program Student Learning Outcomes	Direct and Indirect Measures	
	Direct Method of Assessment	Indirect Method of Assessment
<b>Outcome 1: [Communication Skills]</b> Students will be able to express sociological ideas clearly and coherently both in writing and oral presentations.	<b><u>Direct Measure(s)</u></b> Senior thesis or major capstone project	<b><u>Indirect Measure(s)</u></b> Student Satisfaction survey Employer survey
<b>Outcome 2: [Critical Thinking Skills]</b> Students shall demonstrate the ability to think critically about social issues and understand cause effect relationships within a sociological framework.	<b><u>Direct Measure(s)</u></b> Grading with criteria or rubric	<b><u>Indirect Measure(s)</u></b> Student Satisfaction survey
<b>Outcome 3: [Content/Discipline Knowledge and Skills]</b> Students will be able to calculate and interpret basic statistics such as percentages, cross-tabulations, and/or bivariate regression and read data tables.	<b><u>Direct Measure(s)</u></b> Exam (Item Analysis)	<b><u>Indirect Measure(s)</u></b> Student Satisfaction survey
<b>Outcome 4: [Content/Discipline Knowledge and Skills]</b> Students will be able to compare and contrast basic theoretical perspectives in sociology and understand how sociological concepts and theories are used in the explanation of social behavior.	<b><u>Direct Measure(s)</u></b> Comprehensive Exam	<b><u>Indirect Measure(s)</u></b> Student Satisfaction survey
<b>Outcome 5: [Content/Discipline Knowledge and Skills]</b> Students shall demonstrate an understanding of the major sociological theories and concepts.	<b><u>Direct Measure(s)</u></b> Comprehensive Exam	<b><u>Indirect Measure(s)</u></b> Student Satisfaction survey
<b>Outcome 6: [Content/Discipline Knowledge and Skills]</b> Students shall demonstrate the ability to identify sources of social science research and assess social science research reported in academic publications and produce a research report or presentation requiring the use of electronic resources (e.g. Sociological Abstracts, General Social Survey, SPSS).	<b><u>Direct Measure(s)</u></b> Grading with criteria or rubric	<b><u>Indirect Measure(s)</u></b> Student Satisfaction survey

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<b>Outcome 7: [Content/Discipline Knowledge and Skills]</b> Students shall demonstrate knowledge of and adherence to selected ethical principles of the discipline.	<u>Direct Measure(s)</u> Grading with criteria or rubric	<u>Indirect Measure(s)</u> Student Satisfaction survey
<b>Outcome 8: [Content/Discipline Knowledge and Skills]</b> Students shall demonstrate the ability to recognize diversity (including but not limited to race/ethnicity, gender, SES) and inequality in America and around the world.	<u>Direct Measure(s)</u> Grading with criteria or rubric	<u>Indirect Measure(s)</u> Student Satisfaction survey