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- I. Course Name:** Introduction to Sociology
Prefix and Number: SOC 100
Credit Hours and Contact Hours: 3 credit hours - 3 contact hours
Catalog Description:

This course includes topics descriptive of the scope and methods of sociology; interaction and the social nature of humans, human groupings, collective behavior and institutions and social change.

II. Course Objectives and Outcomes

This introductory course is designed to expose students to the fundamental principles of sociological theories and concepts such as macro and micro perspectives. This will be applied to contemporary issues in students' lives.

Learning Outcomes:

- Students will be able to identify basic sociological concepts.
- Students will understand that sociology entails a web of social theory and social interaction.
- Students will understand where they fit into social contemporary experiences
- Students will think critically about their social surroundings.

Relationship to Academic programs and curriculum:

This course is a required course in some degree programs, it is a social science elective, a liberal arts elective and/or a general elective.

College competencies addressed by this course include writing, reading, problem solving, ethics/values, citizenship, global concerns, and information resources.

III. Methods of Instruction

- Types of course materials: Textbooks and other forms of instruction materials may be used.
- Methods of instruction: Lectures, discussions and multi-media will enable the student to gain relevant understanding of the course objectives.
- Method of Evaluation/Assessment measures: Criteria for assessment/evaluation: attendance, exams, written assignments, and other criteria may be used.

IV. General Outline of Topics covered

Topics covered will include, but are not limited to:

- Culture
- Research Methodologies
- Socialization
- Deviance
- Sexuality and Gender
- Social Stratification
- Social Organization/Social Structure