

GE/SJSU Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs)

Students shall write complete essays that demonstrate college-level proficiency. Students shall be able to:

SLO 1. Produce discipline-specific written work that demonstrates upper-division proficiency in:
language use

grammar

clarity of expression

SLO 2. Explain, analyze, develop, and criticize ideas effectively, including ideas encountered in multiple readings and expressed in different forms of discourse.

SLO 3. Organize and develop essays and documents for both professional and general audiences, according to appropriate editorial and citation standards.

SLO 4. Locate, organize, and synthesize information effectively to accomplish a specific purpose, and to communicate that purpose in writing.

Course Learning Outcomes (CLO's)

Department of Sociology Program Learning Outcomes

Course Canvas Site

The course Canvas site is your online resource for this course. This site includes:

- Course announcements
- Links to web pages that will be of use to you throughout the course
- Lecture slides, handouts, and articles
- Assignment submission inboxes
- Rubrics and feedback for major assignments
- Your grades

Course Requirements and Assignments

The assignments in SOCI 100W are designed to
appropriate for the discipline of psychology.

Details for each assignment are provided in lectures and in assignment descriptions on Canvas. Assignment descriptions (as well as other useful resources) can be found on the course Canvas site. The major skills and associated assignments include (but are not limited to):

- **Basic skills review** (e.g., plagiarism tutorials, research skills tutorials, APA formatting)
- **Evaluating information sources**
- **APA style**
- **Article summaries and evaluations**
- **Literature review on a topic of your choice, including the following components:** Multiple incremental assignments to complete parts of the final Literature Review Instructor meetings to review progress and clarify questions Peer Reviews at incremental stages.

Literature Review

Incremental Literature Review Assignments

To prepare you for the major paper for this course (a literature review -see description below), you will write various drafts that will help you to learn how to read, understand, and accurately report psychological research findings, develop synthesis skills by describing how studies build upon one another, and apply APA style to your writing.

Peer Reviews

The best way to become a better writer is to review other people's writing -I know this from experience. Therefore, a regular part of our class will involve reviewing each other's work and giving constructive feedback. You will be amazed at how helpful this is!

Major Paper for this Course The major paper you will be writing for this course is an **APA-style literature review** (at least 2000 words including title page and references,

Course Schedule

Assignments are subject to change. Any changes will be posted and updated on Canvas, please check Canvas regularly for announcements and updated deadlines.

Date	Topic:	Assignments:
Week 2 Monday Aug 26	Syllabus, Course Intro	
Week 3 Monday Sep 2	No Class – Labor Day	
Week 4 Monday Sep 9	Finding scholarly research and identifying paper topics	
Week 5 Monday Sep 16	Literature review proposals and Microsummaries	Literature review topic proposals due
Week 6 Monday Sep 23	Introducing the literature review	1 st Microsummary due
Week 7 Monday Sep 30	Starting your paper: Draft 1	3 Microsummaries due
Week 8 Monday Oct 7	Peer reviewing Draft 1, APA citations and references	Draft 1 due
Week 9 Monday Oct 14	3-point method; Breaking down a scholarly article	
Week 10 Monday Oct 21	Analyzing a sample literature review, using 'et al.'	
Week 11 Monday Oct 28	Objectivity in scholarly writing	
Week 12 Monday Nov 4	Draft 2 Peer Reviews; signal sentences and transitions	Draft 2 due
Week 13 Monday Nov 11	No Class – Veteran's Day	
Week 14 Monday Nov 18	Review of Writing Resources; Creative Writing Workshop	
Week 15 Monday Nov 25	Draft 3 Peer Review and Peer Editing; Perfect Paper Checklist	Draft 3 due
Week 16 Monday Dec 2	Introducing the Conclusion: Final Draft of Literature Review	
Week 17 Monday Dec 9	Catch up day, 1 on 1 meetings	
Final Exam: Final Paper will be due on Tuesday, December 17 by 11:59 PM on Canvas		