





# Sociology Program Learning Objectives

1. Students will be able to think sociologically about the relationship between social structure, interaction, identities, and inequalities.
2. Students will be able to identify and explain major sociological theories and apply them to everyday life.
3. Students will be proficient in qualitative and quantitative research design, data collection and data analysis.
4. Students will be proficient in oral and written communication skills appropriate to the discipline.
5. Students will be able to practice sociology as educated and civically engaged persons.

## Course Learning Outcomes (CLOs)

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### GE Area D: Social Sciences

Area D courses increase students' understanding of human behavior and social interaction in the context of value systems, economic structures, political institutions, social groups, and natural environments.

Students develop an understanding of problems and issues from different disciplinary perspectives and examine issues in their contemporary as well as historical settings and in a variety of cultural contexts.

The CSU requires students to complete General Education courses in the Social Sciences in at least two different disciplines. Students may meet this requirement by either 1) taking two lower-division Area D courses in different disciplines, or 2) taking two lower-division Area D courses in the same discipline and an Area S upper-division GE course in a different discipline.

### GE Area D Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of an Area D course, students should be able to:

1. Demonstrate understanding of the ways in which social institutions, culture, and environment shape and are shaped by the behavior of individuals, both past and present
  2. Compare and contrast the dynamics of two or more social groups or social systems in a variety of historical and/or cultural contexts;
  3. Place contemporary social developments in cultural, environmental, geographical, and/or historical contexts;
  4. Draw on social/behavioral science information from various perspectives to formulate applications
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<i>Grade</i>	<i>Percentage</i>
<i>D minus</i>	<i>60 to 62%</i>

## University Policies

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Per [University Policy S16-9 \(PDF\)](http://www.sjsu.edu/senate/docs/S16-9.pdf) (<http://www.sjsu.edu/senate/docs/S16-9.pdf>), relevant university policy concerning all courses, such as student responsibilities, academic integrity, accommodations, dropping and adding, consent for recording of class, etc. and available student services (e.g. learning assistance, counseling, and other resources) are listed on the [Syllabus Information](https://www.sjsu.edu/curriculum/courses/syllabus-info.php) (<https://www.sjsu.edu/curriculum/courses/syllabus-info.php>) web page. Make sure to visit this page to review and be aware of these university policies and resources.

## Course Schedule

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	Topic	Textbook Chapter	Notes
Monday January 27 2025	Course Introduction		
Wednesday January 29 2025	Lecture 1: An Introduction to Sociology	Chapter 1	
Monday February 3 2025	Lecture 1 continued		Introduction Assignment due
Wednesday February 5 2025	Lecture 2: Sociological Research	Chapter 2	Lecture 1 Reflection due
Monday February 10 2025	Lecture 2 continued		
Wednesday February 12 2025	Lecture 3: Culture	Chapter 3	Lecture 2 Reflection due
Monday February 17 2025	Lecture 3 continued		

Wednesday February 19 2025	Lecture 4:		Lecture 3
M. nday February 24 2025			
M. nday March 3 2025			
Wednesday March 5 2025			Lecture 4
M. nday March 10 2025			
		apter 6	Lecture 5
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M. nday March 24 2025			
Wednesday March 26 2025			
M. nday March 31 2025	ri g eak		
		apter 9	
M. nday ril 14 2025	view exam 2		

Monday April 21 2025	Lecture 9: Race and Ethnicity	Chapter 11	Lecture 8 Reflection due
Wednesday April 23 2025	Lecture 9 continued		
Monday April 28 2025	Lecture 10: Relationships, Marriage, and Family	Chapter 14	Lecture 9 Reflection due
Wednesday April 30 2025	Lecture 10 continued		
Monday May 5 2025	Lecture 11: Deviance, Crime, and Social Control	Chapter 7	Lecture 10 Reflection due
Wednesday May 7 2025	Lecture 11 continued		Sociological Autobiography Due
Monday May 12 2025	Review exam 3		
Tuesday May 20 2025	Exam 3 10:45		