NOVA COLLEGE-WIDE COURSE CONTENT SUMMARY
SOC 200 - PRINCIPLES OF SOCIOLOGY (3 CR.)

Course Description

Introduces fundamentals of social life. Presents significant research and theory in areas such as culture, social structure, socialization, deviance, social stratification, and social institutions. Lecture 3 hours per week. (Students who take SOC 200 cannot receive credit for either SOC 201 or SOC 202).

General Course Purpose

This course acquaints the student with fundamental sociological concepts, research, and theory.

Entry Level Competencies

None

Course Objectives

A. Differentiation of basic sociological concepts.
B. Understanding of sociological perspectives on social issues.
C. Application of sociological knowledge to personal and social life.

Major Topics To Be Included

A. Introduction to the Discipline
B. Culture
C. Group Dynamics
D. Population
E. Political
F. Communities
G. Population
H. Social Change
G. Socialization
H. Formal Organization
I. Education
J. Economics
K. Collective Behavior
L. Stratification
M. Future Trends
N. Social Organizations
O. Family
P. Bureaucracy
Q. Religion
R. Urban Life

Extra Topics (optional)

A. Sex Roles
B. Death and Dying
The following topics can be covered from the perspective of the individual and the social processes that create the individual. The Sociology of:

A. Military
B. Medical
C. Industrial
D. Professions
E. Art
F. Language and Literature
G. Leisure
H. Economic Development
I. Knowledge
J. Regions
K. Rural Areas
L. Social Movements
M. Mass Media