

**NOVA COLLEGE-WIDE COURSE CONTENT SUMMARY
SOC 201 - INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY I (3 CR.)**

COURSE DESCRIPTION

A general introduction to sociology which focuses on the individual and the social processes that create the individual. A basic definition of sociology presented in defense of the science, in definition of the methodology and as a portrait of the art. Part I of II. Lecture 3 hours per week. (Students who take SOC 201 cannot receive credit for SOC 200)

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 and theory.
- 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. Social Institutions
- E. Stratification
- F. Socialization
- G. Deviant Behavior
- H. Communities
- I. Social Class
- J. Social Organization
- K. Family
- L. Ethnic Relations
- M. Collective Behavior
- N. Prejudice and Ideology
- O. Demography
- P. Ethnic Relations

EXTRA TOPICS (optional)

- A. Sex Roles
- B. Death and Dying
- C. Criminology
- D. Adult Socialization
- E. Youth Culture,
- F. Primate Social Behavior

- G. Social Psychology
- H. Social Movements
- I. Mass Media

- J. The Sociology of:
 - 1. Military
 - 2. Medical
 - 3. Industrial
 - 4. Professions
 - 5. Art
 - 6. Language and Literature
 - 7. Leisure
 - 8. Economic Development
 - 9. Knowledge
 - 10. Regions
 - 11. Rural Areas
 - 12. Social Movements
 - 13. Market Behavior