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# Major Field Assessment Plan B.A. Sociology

The mission of Southeastern Louisiana University is to meet the education and cultural needs, primarily of Southeast Louisiana, to disseminate knowledge and to facilitate life-long learning through quality instruction, research and service in a safe, student-centered environment.

The purposes of the B.A. in Sociology is to prepare students for citizenship in the modern world by giving them a better knowledge and understanding of their social, cultural, economic, and physical environment.

#### Goal 1

The baccalaureate program in Sociology will provide students with the skills needed for work in areas such as public and private agencies and organizations and for graduate study.

## A. Expected Outcome

Students completing the baccalaureate program in Sociology will be able to identify, analyze, and research various problems related to societies and organizations. They will also demonstrate competence in written and oral communications, analytical skills, and critical thinking skills.

## Assessment

Sociology seniors will score a minimum of 50% on the Major Field Assessment test in Sociology.

#### Goal 2

Student will be satisfied with the skills, knowledge and support they received in the Sociology program.

## **Expected Outcome**

Students completing the baccalaureate program in Sociology will feel their ability for critical thinking was broadened and their skills in working with individuals, groups, and organizations were enhanced.

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#### Assessment

a. On the SLU Exit survey, majors will express satisfaction with the quality of instruction, the relevance of the learning content, and the willingness of faculty to work with students.

b. On the Undergraduate Alumni survey, majors will express satisfaction with the quality of instruction, the relevance of the learning content, and the willingness of faculty to work with students.

Note: Students in the B.A. in Sociology program are exposed to cultural and global perspectives through completion of the required anthropology course and through required foreign language study. Of the sociology electives (15 hours required), 50% of the courses address cultural and global issues, such as SOC 465 Social Change and Globalization. In addition, a student may opt for a concentration in Anthropology or Global Studies.