MISSION STATEMENT AND STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES for Sociology

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Mission Statement

It is the mission of the Sociology Programs at Southwestern Illinois College to provide students with the opportunity to develop an understanding of the macro-level cultural, social and historical forces which shape social structure and interaction in all times and places. The Sociology department is committed to the utilization of instructional techniques that encourage the lifelong development and measurement of a variety of student skills as a key part of this mission. Students will develop a broader and deeper understanding of social behavior and organization. The Sociology program prepares students to pursue their study of sociology at their transfer institution.

Program/Discipline Curriculum Map

I = Introduce: Student is first exposed to the concept/idea and is requested to apply the concept in a limited scope.
E = Emphasize: Student applies concept(s) in varying/multiple situations of greater complexity than when initially introduced.
R = Reinforce: Student may be expected to understand the concept upon taking the course and utilizes the concept in conjunction with other concepts/ideas to solve problems.

Program/Discipline Outcomes	***Course Prefix and Number***														
Graduates of this program/discipline shall be able to:	SOC 153	SOC 203	SOC 210	SOC 230	SOC 255	SOC 265	SOC 299								
Evaluate the macro-level social forces that influence social behavior and organization.	I	R	E	E	E	E	E								
Describe and critically evaluate the scientific methods used in research and the knowledge gained from such methods.	I	E	E	E	E	E	E								
Explain the different categories of social inequality in the United States and the world.	I	R	E	R	E	E	E								
Identify the form and function of key social institutions.	I	E	E	E	E	E	E								
Demonstrate ability to analyze information objectively.	I	R	E	E	E	E	E								

Map Comments:

Core Competency Map

Core Competencies	***Course Prefix and Number***														
	SOC 153	SOC 203	SOC 210	SOC 230	SOC 255	SOC 265	SOC 299								
Communication Skills															
1. Computer Literacy															
2. Oral Communications															
3. Writing															
Reasoning Skills															
4. Critical Thinking															
5. Quantitative Literacy															
Citizenship															
6. Personal Accountability															
7. Civic And Social Accountability	X	X	X	X	X	X	X								