A. Identification:
   1. Subject Area: Sociology (SOC)
   2. Course Number: 101
   3. Course Title: Introduction to Sociology
   4. Credit Hours: 3

B. Course Goals:
The goals of this course is to provide the student with the academic environment to begin developing and applying critical thinking and writing skills to various sociological topics and gain knowledge of the reciprocal connection between the individual and society.

C. Course Outcomes: Students will
   1. define sociology and explain how it differs from other social sciences;
   2. identify and describe the three main classical sociological theories: functional, conflict and symbolic interactionism;
   3. recognize the link between culture and society as it relates to values, beliefs, and norms;
   4. demonstrate how social structure is interconnected to social groups, status and roles;
   5. investigate the main agents of socialization: family, peers, and media;
   6. explain the link between perceived deviance and crime in the U.S.;
   7. describe sociological explanations of urban trends in the U.S.;
   8. And discuss collective behavior and social movements in the U.S.

D. Course Outcomes Assessment will include: a variety of assessment techniques including critical writing assignments.

E. Course Content will include:
   1. overview of concepts, theories, and research methods used sociology;
   2. study of groups, culture, gender, race, ethnicity, family, globalization, class, sexuality, and institutions;
   3. the role of stratification and conflict in society;
   4. the social constructions within society;
   5. the development of social institutions;
   6. and the inevitability of social change.