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Sociology BS

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GOAL: Apply Core Concepts

Objective

Understanding And Expressing Of Core Concepts

students who complete the Sociology Program will be able to competently express their understanding of the core concepts of the discipline in writing

Associated Goals: Apply Core Concepts

Indicator

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Desired Results

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Finding

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Finding

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Finding

Theory Component

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Actions for Objective:

Action

Theory action

The department will continue using the same strategies to improve the program

GOAL: Communicate Results

Objective

Communication Tools

The BS Sociology Program provides students with the scientific tools to be able to communicate the results obtained through the application of the core concepts of Sociology
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GOAL: Understand Core Sociology Concepts

Objective

Applying And Understanding Core Concepts

Student will demonstrate competence using scientific tools applied to the understanding of the core concepts of Sociology

Associated Goals: Understand Core Sociology Concepts

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Methodology Action

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