

## **Objectives for the HLGU Sociology Major**

## **Statement of Mission and Purpose:**

The mission of Hannibal-LaGrange University is to provide an excellent education in both liberal arts and professional disciplines in a distinctively Christian environment that integrates Christian faith and learning in preparing graduates for personal and career effectiveness.

The mission of the Sociology Department is to provide an excellent education in the field of Sociology in a distinctively Christian environment that integrates Christian faith and learning in preparing graduates for personal and career effectiveness.

## **Objectives for the Sociology Major:**

- 1. The Sociology major will demonstrate a basic understanding of Sociology--its main foundational perspectives, theorists, thought on culture, socialization, social groups and structures, deviance, stratification, religion, politics, economics, collective behavior, and social change.
- 2. The Sociology major will demonstrate knowledge of the diversity of both individuals and society.
- 3. The Sociology major will demonstrate knowledge of the institution of marriage and family.
- 4. The Sociology major will identify and analyze contemporary social issues.
- 5. The Sociology major will analyze and understand interactions of individuals and groups.
- 6. The Sociology major will demonstrate an understanding of the works of classic and contemporary social theorists.
- 7. The Sociology major will demonstrate an understanding of issues related to the study of cultures, development of cultures, and uses of cultural anthropology in studying contemporary society.
- 8. The Sociology major will learn basic principles of research design, methodologies, and data collection techniques.

## Our purpose is to help you discover God's purpose for your life.