

# Crafton Hills College - Outcomes Assessment Report

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**Course:** SOC105 -- Introduction to Sociology

**Term:** 2009 Fall

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## 1. Learning Outcomes Statement

1. Recognize the components of a social problem and give an example.
2. Give examples of the effects of contemporary American social problems on the rest of the world.
3. Give examples of solutions for social problems in either written or verbal form.

## 2. Means of Assessment (Measurement Method)

Embedded test items for each of the SLOs

## 3. Criteria for Success (Benchmark)

### **Rubric: Soc 105 Components of a social problem**

Owner: Course Level - Sociology

#### **Rubric Levels**

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0. Recognized or identified none of the 3 components of a social problem.
1. Was able to recognize 1 of the 3 components of a social problem.
2. Was able to recognize 2 of the 3 components of a social problem.
3. Was able to recognize all 3 components of a social problem.

## Rubric: Soc 105 Effect of Contemporary American Problems

Owner: Course Level - Sociology

### Rubric Levels

- 0. Gave no examples of the effects of a contemporary American social problem on the rest of the world.
- 1. Gave 1 example of the effects of a contemporary American social problem on the rest of the world.
- 2. Gave 2 examples of the effects of a contemporary American social problem on the rest of the world.
- 3. Gave 3 examples of the effects of a contemporary American social problem on the rest of the world.

## Rubric: Soc 105 Social problem solutions

Owner: Course Level - Sociology

### Rubric Levels

- 0. Gave no examples of a solution to a social problem in written or verbal form.
- 1. Gave 1 example of a solution to a social problem in written or verbal form.
- 2. Gave 2 examples of a solution to a social problem in written or verbal form.
- 3. Gave 3 examples of a solution to a social problem in written or verbal form.

#### 4. Summary of Evidence

SOC 105 Social Problems Spring 2010 Sec 01 (Actuals)		Show Percentages   Display as PDF					Assessment Results By Level	
Assessment: Components of a social problem		NS	0	1	2	3	Total	
Degree Program: Sociology - Assessed Effort Recognize the components of a social problem and give an example.		13	9	22	28	5	64	
Assessment: Effects of American social problems on the rest of the world.		NS	0	1	2	3	Total	
Degree Program: Sociology - Assessed Effort Give examples of the effects of contemporary American social problems on the rest of the world.		14	7	31	18	7	63	
Assessment: Solutions for Social Problems		NS	0	1	2	3	Total	
Degree Program: Sociology - Assessed Effort Give examples of solutions for social problems in either written or verbal form.		17	1	17	32	10	60	

1. For SLO #1, Students were asked specifically to define components of a social problem and give an example. 5 students did this correctly. The students who did it incorrectly didn't read the question adequately, and provided an insufficient answer.

2. For SLO #2, The students were expected to think critically about the effects of social problems on contemporary American Society. The students display a lack of critical-thinking skills.

3. Students who answered this question sufficiently showed a better sense of social awareness than those who didn't.

*5. Use of Results (Implications for Program Improvement & Planning)*

For SLO #1: I will adjust the question on the test to elicit a more specific answer from students. For SLO #2: I will increase the time spent discussing social problems in class, and provide more examples. For SLO #3: I will add a self-reflection piece to the final exam, and ask students to write more specifically about their service hours and how that changed their way of thinking about solving social problems.