Students completing the B.A./B.S. major will be able to:

1. have an understanding of sociological theories, concepts, and research methods. Specifically, students should be able to:
   a. Demonstrate a proficiency in the use of important sociological concepts;
   b. Be familiar with important theoretical traditions;
   c. Master basic empirical and statistical research methods;
   d. Be able to apply their theoretical and empirical knowledge.

2. develop critical thinking skills. Specifically, students should be able to:
   a. Frame questions about social issues resolvable by observation;
   b. Assess the validity and reliability of evidence for competing claims regarding social issues;
   c. Demonstrate cognitive complexity in understanding complex social issues; and
   d. Write and speak clearly about social issues.

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