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SAULT COLLEGE OF APPLIED ARTS AND TECHNOLOGY

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COURSE OUTLINE

COURSE TITLE: INTRODUCTION TO SOCIAL SCIENCES

CODE NO. SSC 097-3 SEMESTER: FM.L

PROGRAM: GENERAL ARTS AND SCIENCE

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COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course is designed to introduce students to the various disciplines within the social sciences. Students will develop a basic framework of vocabulary in social sciences, gain an understanding of the spectrum of social sciences, and understand why social science is a science. Furthermore, students will learn to appreciate the relevance of social sciences as it relates to life choices.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

After completing this course the students will:

1. have a greater understanding of the various disciplines which comprise the social sciences.
2. begin to develop a framework of terminology commonly used by social scientist.
3. discover what makes social science a science.
4. gain an understanding as to how social science is involved with the life choices individuals and societies make.
5. learn to be critical in the analysis of data.

METHODOLOGY:

This course will be taught in a non-traditional manner. You will have three instructors, each with differing Social Science disciplines, i.e. -sociology, political science/economics, and psychology. Three topic areas or themes will be focused on utilizing each of the above disciplines.

The three theme areas are:

1. Work and employment
2. Health and the environment
3. Sex and gender issues

TEXTBOOKS:

See the individual instructor for assigned reading material.

EVALUATION:

1. Each student will be expected to write answers to assigned questions on each of the above themes from a choice of each of the above Social Science disciplines. For example, for the topic "Work and Employment" you could choose to write your assignment based upon the Sociologist perspective. The next topic, "Health and the Environment" you could choose either the Political Science/Economics perspective or the Psychology perspective. The final assignment, "Sex and Gender" you would write your answers on

