

Focus Group Questions and Probes.

1. Tell me about your experiences in the senior experience/capstone course thus far.
 - What types of assignments did you have?
 - How did you interact with peers and instructor?
 - What do you think the learning objectives were for the course?
 - To what extent and in what ways did previous courses help you prepare for or succeed in the senior experience/capstone course?
 - How satisfied are you with your experiences in the course?
 - What suggestions do you have for changes in the course?
 - How will the course and your experiences help you in the future?
2. Tell me about your learning in this course at this point in the semester.
 - What have you learned?
 - What have you produced?
 - What was most helpful to your learning and success in the course?
 - Were there any barriers to your learning?
3. Do you think taking this course has impacted your level of engagement/interest in or passion for the discipline of sociology? Why? Why not? How? Examples?
4. Please give me a definition and/or example of the sociological imagination? Was this difficult to learn and understand? Are there any significant experiences or behaviors or situations in the capstone course that have helped you to learn and use this idea?
5. Describe what it means, in your view, to “be a sociologist”. Do you feel that you are a sociologist or self identify as a sociologist? Why? Why not?
6. Is there anything else about your experiences in this course, thus far, you would like to add?