The Sociology Program does not currently offer a major and our detailed review of the course offerings and how Sociology courses fulfill graduation and major requirements in other disciplines at Chabot highlights the importance of assessing the sociology discipline’s offerings and relationship with other programs on campus. An objective of this program review will be to identify the direction that the program should take based on student needs with a focus on future course offerings and possible major collaborations with other disciplines on campus to perhaps provide a joint major. Additionally possible collaboration with transfer institutions will be explored.

V. Briefly describe, as best you can at this juncture, what you need to learn.

VI. Describe in some detail your project and the activities you will conduct. Be sure to refer to the following: taskforce participants, related boulders, potential consultants, tools/instruments to be used and/or created, timeline, evidence and/or data that will be accumulated, assessment strategies to be used for verification and drawing credible conclusions, resources/support needed to perform inquiry.

1. Survey students to identify their needs.
2. Identify our major transfer institutions- review their current majors that relate to Sociology including their course offerings, perspectives, directions.
3. Based on the above analyses, propose and implement relevant new course offerings and develop significant collaborations with other disciplines/programs on campus and at our major transfer institutions.

Student Pathways/Collaboration

Our analysis of Sociology course requirements or electives in other academic majors at Chabot illuminates the potential for collaboration with these academic areas as well as others. Based on our student needs surveys plans will be developed to facilitate collaboration. For example, since Sociology 1 is a prerequisite for Dental Hygiene and a requirement for the Nursing Program it might be expedient to develop a more formal relationship with these two programs. Another possibility is that while the discipline may not wish to offer a major in Sociology, based on student needs and interest, a joint major with psychology might be proposed.

Visiting our major transfer institutions such as CSU, EB and discussing our offerings in Sociology at Chabot in light of their majors might ferret out additional course offerings or foci that the program may wish to implement.

Evaluation and Analysis

A checklist of activities/events/tasks will be ongoing to provide continuous feedback as to our progress and whether our timeline objectives are being met as anticipated, completed at a later