

Goals for Liberal Learning in the Core Curriculum

Goal 1: Instill a love for learning

- Demonstrate an ability to learn independently (seek opportunities to learn)
- Appreciate that learning is a lifelong process
- Obtain information needed to make informed judgments

Goal 2: Develop foundational skills and transferable intellectual capacities

- Express ideas effectively
- Make decisions and solve problems by engaging in creative and critical thinking
- Access and evaluate a variety of sources of information
- Consider multiple perspectives when developing solutions to problems

Goal 3: Develop an understanding of disciplinary, interdisciplinary, and intercultural perspectives and their connections

- Demonstrate proficiency in a discipline
- Demonstrate that problem solving involves multiple perspectives and tools

Goal 4: Cultivate an examined cultural, ethical, physical, and spiritual self-understanding

- Understand the influence of a religious worldview
- Appreciate the aesthetic dimensions of life
- Identify the factors that contribute to self-understanding
- Identify how personal, interpersonal, social, cultural, and religious factors shape people's identity

Goal 5: Encourage responsible participation in the world

- Demonstrate ethical commitment by making critical, principled decisions
- Demonstrate intercultural competence
- Apply academic learning to one's personal, professional, and civic lives
- Apply knowledge and skills to influence the affairs of the world