

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY CHANNEL ISLANDS ACADEMIC SENATE POLICY

General Education Learning Goals and Outcomes

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Policy:

General Education requirements are designed to assure that all graduates of the University, whatever their major, have acquired essential skills, experiences, and a broad range of knowledge appropriate to educated people within a society. Students who complete the General Education program are able to:

Goal 1. Think clearly, logically, and creatively. They are able to:

- Outcome 1.1 Reason inductively and deductively.
- Outcome 1.2 Communicate clearly, logically, and creatively.
- Goal 2. Find and critically examine information. They are able to:
 - Outcome 2.1 Access needed information effectively and efficiently.
 - Outcome 2.2 Evaluate information and its sources critically.
 - Outcome 2.3 Explain the economic, legal, social, and ethical issues surrounding the use of information.

Goal 3. Communicate effectively using a variety of formats. They are able to:

- Outcome 3.1 Speak and present effectively in various contexts.
- Outcome 3.2 Write effectively in various forms.
- Goal 4. Understand the physical universe and its life forms, scientific methodology, and mathematical concepts, and use quantitative reasoning. They are able to:
 - Outcome 4.1. Conduct planned investigations, including recording and analyzing data and reaching reasoned conclusions.
 - Outcome 4.2. Solve problems using mathematical methods and relevant technology.
 - Outcome 4.3 Use graphs, tables, etc. to represent and explain mathematical models.
 - Outcome 4.4 Make connections between important/core/key concepts (or big ideas) in the natural sciences to describe/explain natural phenomena.
- Goal 5. Cultivate intellect, imagination, sensibility and sensitivity through the study of philosophy, literature, languages, and the arts. They are able to:
 - Outcome 5.1. Analyze creative human products and ideas.
 - Outcome 5.2. Articulate personal thoughts and emotions when encountering human creations and ideas.
 - Outcome 5.3. Create original and imaginative works in philosophy, literature, language, and/or the arts.



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- Goal 6. Understand social, cultural, political, and economic institutions and their historical backgrounds, as well as human behavior and the principles of social interaction. They are able to:
 - Outcome 6.1 Convey how issues relevant to social, cultural, political, contemporary/historical, economic, educational, or psychological realities interact with each other.
 - Outcome 6.2 Discuss how social sciences conceive and study human experience.
 - Outcome 6.3 Use social science methods to explain or predict individual and collective human behavior.
- Goal 7. Integrate ideas and insights from multiple cultural and disciplinary perspectives. They are able to:
 - Outcome 7.1 Integrate content, ideas, and approaches from various cultural perspectives.

Outcome 7.2 Integrate content, ideas, and approaches from various disciplinary perspectives. Goal 8. Use technology as a tool.

Outcome 8.1 Use relevant technology in various contexts to present and/or integrate ideas.