

WOU General Education Program Mission & Outcomes

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General Education is a crucial component of the learning experience at Western Oregon University, providing students with fundamental skills for lifelong learning. Students apply, communicate, and integrate ideas from a variety of disciplines. They gain abilities to think and act critically as citizens of a complex and ever-changing world. The curriculum empowers students to pursue diverse interests and perform varying roles in their personal, social, and professional lives.

General Education Program Outcomes

1. Practice different and varied forms of knowledge, inquiry, and expression that frame academic and applied learning. (Intellectual foundations and breadth of exposure) (ULO: Program outcome)
2. Demonstrate the ability to evaluate information and develop evidence-based conclusions. (Critical thinking) (ULO: Inquiry & Analysis)
3. Articulate the challenges, responsibilities, and privileges of belonging in a complex, diverse, interconnected world. (Citizenship) (ULO: Diversity)
4. Integrate perspectives and strategies across disciplines to answer questions and solve problems. (Multidisciplinary learning) (ULO: Integrative Learning)