

General Education Competencies

Summary

Provides an institutional position of the four core competencies of Columbus State University's general education curriculum.

Purpose

To provide guidance to faculty on developing, maintaining, and evaluating standards for general education courses that adhere to the four core competencies.

Policy

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Columbus State University identifies four specific college-level competencies that are expected to be developed further throughout the completion of the general education program:

- Communication
- Critical thinking
- Quantitative reasoning
- Collaboration

Students demonstrate their competency in **communication** when they use one or more media (traditional pen and paper or digital) and modes (oral or written) to meet the expectations of a particular audience and for a particular purpose, such as information transfer or persuasion to action.

Students demonstrate their competency in **critical thinking** when they can explain a complex problem; interpret and evaluate evidence related to significant positions surrounding a problem; expose implicit assumptions related to significant positions surrounding a problem; stake a position related to a problem, recognizing advantages and limitations to the perspective; and organize this series of intellectual activities in meaningful ways.

Students demonstrate their competency in **quantitative reasoning** when they can solve real-world problems in authentic contexts that involve numerical data.

Students demonstrate their competency in **collaboration** when they respect and can articulate alternate ideas during team idea generation; facilitates the contributions of other team members; contributes to the team beyond team gatherings; nurtures a positive team climate; and addresses team conflict productively.

https://academics.columbusstate.edu/catalogs/current/degreesandprograms/degrees_genreqs.php#GenEdComp

Related USG Policy

3.3.1 Core Curriculum

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