

## **Kennesaw State University**

### **General Education Program Description**

The General Education at Kennesaw State University program offers a comprehensive series of interrelated courses in the liberal arts and sciences for all Kennesaw State University students. Whereas the major program contributes depth within a chosen specialization, the General Education core provides breadth of understanding within a variety of disciplines. Together, the General Education core and the major degree program offer students the knowledge, skills, and perspectives to become informed and engaged citizens living in a diverse, global community.

### **General Education Program Learning Outcomes**

The General Education program has eleven learning outcomes for students to achieve over the course of their core curriculum. These learning outcomes are assessed in designated courses throughout the General Education program.

**Written Communication:** Students will write & communicate at a college level in various modes, media, and/or rhetorical contexts.

**Reading Comprehension:** Students will demonstrate an ability to comprehend, analyze, & interpret texts in various modes, genres, media, and/or contexts.

**Math Skills:** Students will demonstrate the ability to explain information presented in mathematical forms (e.g., equations, graphs, diagrams, tables) and/or convert information into mathematical forms at a level appropriate for the complexity of problems in a college-level course.

**Critical Thinking:** Students will evaluate and synthesize information to support ideas and perspectives.

**Critical Thinking Overlay:** Students will articulate a position on an issue and support it by evaluating evidence relevant to the position, considering opposing positions or evidence, and evaluating the implications and/or consequences of this issue.

**Literature:** Students will analyze and interpret texts and other creative works from multiple cultures and perspectives.

**Global Perspectives Overlay:** Students will analyze creative works from multiple international cultures in relation to the historical, political, economic, sociocultural, aesthetic, or personal contexts in which those works emerged.

**Applied Math:** Students will demonstrate an ability to effectively apply symbolic representations to model and solve problems.

Natural Sciences: Students will demonstrate an understanding of college-level scientific principles, theories, and laws, and apply them to solve problems and explore natural phenomena.

U.S. Perspectives: Students will demonstrate a broad understanding of history, political systems, or culture of the U.S.

Social Sciences: Students analyze the complexity of how historical, economic, and political relationships develop, persist, or change.