

Mission Statement
General Education Curriculum
University of Florida

The General Education Curriculum supports the mission of the University of Florida by providing undergraduate students with common collective content about the world in which they live. The curriculum enables students to think creatively, reason critically, communicate effectively, and respond intelligently when making decisions that affect all aspects of their lives. Through general education courses, students gain fresh perspectives and discover new approaches to intellectual inquiry that promote understanding of both the traditional and the newly discovered. To achieve these outcomes, the General Education Curriculum encompasses a breadth of knowledge organized in five categories: composition, humanities, mathematics, physical and biological sciences, and social and behavioral sciences, with supplementation in diversity and internationalism. Ultimately, competence in these areas enables students to better understand themselves, their neighbors, other cultures and times, and the principles governing the natural world and the universe; and to participate fully and responsibly as informed citizens in local, national, and global matters.