

**Institutional Learning Outcomes – Draft 1**  
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	Upon completing a degree from UNC, students will:
Foundation in the liberal arts	<p>Connect concepts and methods across multiple fields to study contemporary and enduring questions as evidenced by the ability to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Describe artistic, cultural, and historical methods for understanding the human experience;</li> <li>• Apply the scientific method to examine natural and social phenomena;</li> <li>• Connect experiences in and out of the classroom to reach deeper understanding of contemporary issues; and</li> <li>• Adapt knowledge and skills gained in one situation to new situations.</li> </ul>
Essential skills	<p>Master the intellectual and foundational skills necessary for lifelong learning as evidenced by the ability to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Apply analytic inquiry to explore questions, problems, and texts;</li> <li>• Analyze, integrate, and evaluate information;</li> <li>• Demonstrate quantitative literacy;</li> <li>• Express ideas in a variety of communication methods and media; and</li> <li>• Work collaboratively with others.</li> </ul>
Personal and civic responsibility	<p>Be engaged citizens as evidenced by the ability to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Describe the principles upon which democratic societies are structured;</li> <li>• Explain diverse positions on an issue from different cultural, socio-economic, and geographic interests;</li> <li>• Use ethical reasoning to explain and solve problems;</li> <li>• Identify significant issues affecting communities, countries, continents, and cultures; and</li> <li>• Evaluate the social, economic, and environmental consequences of individual and group actions.</li> </ul>
Preparation for careers and further advanced study	<p>Be proficient in a specialized field of study as evidenced by the ability to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Define the tools, vocabulary, and methods associated with their chosen field;</li> <li>• Investigate complex problems using the methods of their chosen field; and</li> <li>• Demonstrate competence in a major field of study as defined by that program's learning outcomes.</li> </ul>