# University of Kentucky

General Education Assessment Report 2017-18

#### UK CORE DESIGN AND OVERSIGHT

The UK Core was approved by the University Senate in May 2009 and implemented for the Fall 2011 semester. The Core curriculum was designed to foster student achievement in four overarching learning outcomes:

- I. Students will demonstrate an understanding of and ability to employ the process of intellectual inquiry.
- II. Students will demonstrate competent written, oral, and visual communication skills both as producers and consumers of information.
- III. Students will demonstrate an understanding of and ability to employ methods of quantitative reasoning.
- IV. Students will demonstrate an understanding of the complexities of citizenship and the process for making informed choices as engaged citizens in a diverse, multilingual world.

Each of these broad learning outcomes are made more explicit through the Outcomes and Assessment Framework (see <u>Appendix 1</u>). Moreover, they have been mapped to the statewide learning outcomes as shown in <u>Appendix 2</u>. In order to fulfill the Core requirements, students must complete a minimum number of credit hours through satisfactory completion of courses that have been mapped to one of the four learning outcomes. This curricular framework is shown in Table 1. In total, students must complete a minimum of 30 credit hours as part of the Core. Students are permitted to complete courses for Core credit that also satisfy pre-major or major requirements. Courses that have been approved as part of the Core for the 2017-18 academic year are listed in <u>Appendix 3</u>. Information on the availability of Core courses is provided on the UK Registrar website.

Oversight of the Core resides with the <u>UK Core Education Committee (UKCEC)</u>, which is a standing committee of the University Senate. The UKCEC reviews and approves course proposals for inclusion in the Core; conducts on-going review of courses to ensure continued alignment with the Core Outcomes and Assessment Framework; and works collaboratively with the Office of Strategic Planning & Institutional Effectiveness (OSPIE) to conduct assessment and program review of the Core.

Table 1. UK Core Curricular Framework

Area	Credits
I. Intellectual Inquiry	•
Arts & Creativity	3
Humanities	3
Social Sciences	3
Natural/Physical/Mathematical Sciences	3
II. Composition & Communication	
Composition & Communication I	3
Composition & Communication II	3
III. Quantitative Reasoning	
Quantitative Foundations	3
Statistical Inferential Reasoning	3
IV. Citizenship	
Community, Culture, & Citizenship in USA	3
Global Dynamics	3
Total	3Ua

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>Some UK Core courses may exceed 3 credit hours, most notably for Natural/Physical/Mathematical Sciences and Quantitative Foundations.

#### ASSESSMENT PLAN

The Core learning outcomes are each assessed on a two-year cycle, with individual Core courses scheduled to be assessed once every four years. The assessment plan relies upon course-embedded assignments that have been designed by faculty within the departments who teach the courses. Course instructors are notified by OSPIE at the start of the semester that their courses are scheduled to be assessed, and are asked to complete a form providing information on the assignment(s) to be used for Core. In most cases the assignments are located with the university's Learning Management System (Canvas), which are extracted by IT and provided to OSPIE. In some instances, instructors submit paper or electronic copies of assignments to OSPIE staff.

Once the requested assignments are received by OSPIE, they are sampled, anonymized and uploaded into AQUA, the learning outcomes assessment database. The institution's strategy for sampling follows that 5 student artifacts are sampled for sections with enrollment of 50 or less, 10 student artifacts for sections with enrollment of 51 to 100, and 15 student artifacts for sections with more than 100 students. The process of anonymizing student artifacts requires removing all student identifying information prior to uploading it to AQUA.

Scoring of student artifacts is performed using a set of standardized rubrics. A unique rubric has been developed for each area of the Core; however, common themes are woven throughout the different areas of Intellectual Inquiry. Copies of the rubrics that were used to assess artifacts in 2017-18 (Composition & Communication; Citizenship) have been included in Appendix 4. The full set of UK Core rubrics can be accessed on the UK Core website.

Evaluators, drawn exclusively from current or past Core course instructors, are recruited to score the sampled student artifacts. Evaluators are asked to score student artifacts within the same Core area that they teach (e.g. Composition & Communication). Evaluators are not assigned to review and score artifacts from students within their own courses. With only minimal exception, evaluators were assigned to review and score student artifacts from courses taught outside of their own academic department. Once all scoring is completed, OSPIE collects the data and provides a summary report to the CPE and the UKCEC. The UKCEC reviews the report to investigate strengths and weaknesses of student performance within and across learning outcomes and identifies opportunities for improvement.

#### 2017-18 ASSESSMENT METHODS

The following Core learning outcomes were targeted for assessment during the 2017-18 academic year:

- I. Composition & Communication
- II. Citizenship
  - i. Global Dynamics

The participation rate of targeted course-sections, and the corresponding number of assignments collected and used is displayed in Table 2. From the table, the rate of course-section participation was lower than expected, with less than half of course-sections providing an assignment for assessment. The total number of assignments exceeds the number of participating course-sections because some instructors provided multiple assignments from the same course-section.

Of the assignments collected in both Core areas, some assignments were not used because they were digital in nature and anonymizing the artifact was not possible (e.g. website, blog, online video). For Composition & Communication, it was determined that a 45 of 215 assignments were not usable. For Citizenship, no assignments were excluded at this stage. The unusable Composition & Communication assignments were excluded from the pool

of assignments assessed before scoring began. After scoring began, additional assignments were excluded from the assessment process.

Evaluators were trained to first read through the assignment instructions and ensure that the sampled student artifacts provided were well-aligned with the assignment instructions and could be assessed using at least 50% of the rubric criteria. When an assignment cannot be scored utilizing at least 50% of the rubric criteria, the assignment is determined to be unscorable. The assignment is then excluded from the assessment process with all other sampled artifacts marked as unscorable. Of the 215 Composition & Communication assignments collected, 4 additional assignments were determined to be unscorable by evaluators. No Citizenship assignments were excluded at this stage.

Table 2. Course-Section Participation by Core Area

	Course-Sections		Assignments	Assignments
Course Participation by	Targeted	Participation Rate	Collected <sup>b</sup>	Used <sup>c</sup>
Core Area	N	N (%)	N	N (%)
Composition &				
Communication	362	176 (49)	215	166 (77)
Citizenshipa	213	69 (32)	86	86 (100)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Applies to Global Dynamics Citizenship courses.

Data analysis determined that a small number of individual student artifacts were marked as unscorable by evaluators. Only 12 Composition & Communication individual student artifacts, and 4 Citizenship individual student artifacts were marked as unscorable by evaluators. Though not part of our formally trained process, evaluators took their own initiative in doing so, and scored a small number of individual student artifacts in this manner.

The number of evaluators, artifacts sampled, artifacts scored, and mean artifacts per evaluator is shown in Table 3. Evaluators were recruited by OSPIE who taught one or more Core courses during the past 3 academic years in the areas to be assessed for 2017-18. Evaluator participation was incentivized with a small stipend. To increase consistency and interrater reliability across evaluators, all evaluators were normed during scheduled training sessions. In most cases, evaluators were assigned to score student artifacts from outside their academic department to ensure they are not scoring assignments from Core courses they have taught.

Table 3. Evaluators and Artifacts by Core Area

Course Participation by Core Area	Evaluators N	Artifacts Sampled N	Artifacts Scored N	Mean Artifacts Per Evaluator N
Composition &				
Communication	22	839	807 <sup>b</sup>	38.1
Citizenship <sup>a</sup>	12	450	446	37.5

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Applies to Global Dynamics Citizenship courses.

Data from the artifact scoring process were extracted and compiled from Aqua and used to create this report, which will be shared with CPE and the UKCEC.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup> Some course-sections provided multiple assignments for assessment.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>c</sup> Excludes unusable and unscorable assignments.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup> 20 artifacts from 4 unused assignments and 12 unscorable artifacts.

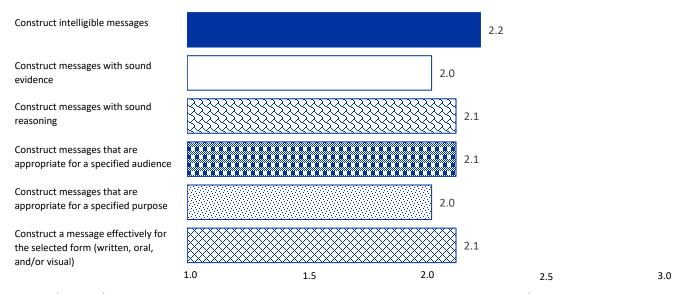
#### 2017-18 ASSESSMENT RESULTS

Summary statistics for the two Core areas that were evaluated are provided in Figures 1-4. The frequency distributions are shown in Figures 5 and 6 in <u>Appendix 5</u>. The rubrics for the two Core areas assessed (Composition & Communication, Citizenship) utilize a three-point rating scale consisting of: 1=does not meet expectations; 2=meets expectations, and 3=exceeds expectations.

In Figures 1 and 2, the mean student score for each criteria on the rubric is shown for the two areas of the Core assessed. For both Composition & Communication and Citizenship, mean student performance was at or above the level of "meets expectations" for all criteria.

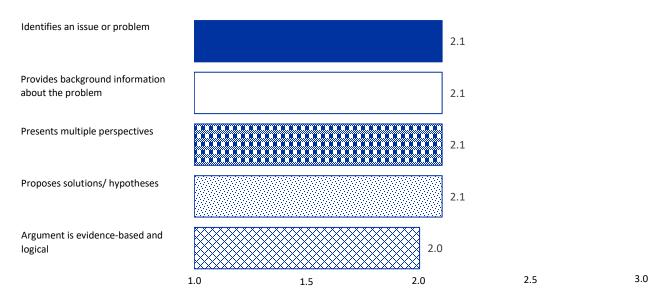
Student performance in the six criteria of Composition & Communication were consistent with mean scores ranging from 2.0 to 2.2. In this Core area, students on average earned higher scores on the criteria "construct intelligible messages" than the other five. Results of a non-parametric statistical test (Kruskal-Wallis) confirm that differences in mean student performance across the six criteria for Composition & Communication were statistically significant ( $x^2 = 29.43$ ,  $p \le .001$ , df=1). Mean student scores were also consistent over the five criteria for Citizenship (M=2.1), with the exception of one criterion "argument is evidence-based and logical" (M=2.0) that is slightly below the others. However, no statistically significant differences were observed between the five criteria for Citizenship ( $x^2 = 3.08$ , p = .545, df=4).

Figure 1. Mean Student Scores for Composition & Communication



Note. Rubric Scales: 1 = Does not meet expectations; 2 = Meets expectations; 3 = Exceeds expectations

Figure 2. Mean Student Scores for Citizenship



Note. Rubric Scales: 1 = Does not meet expectations; 2 = Meets expectations; 3 = Exceeds expectations

Figures 3 and 4 show the percentage of student artifacts scored at or above the targeted benchmark level for each Core area by criterion. With the exception of "construct messages with sound evidence" in Composition & Communication, more than 75 percent of students met the benchmark for nearly all criteria (10 of 11). The percentage of students scoring at or above the benchmark level for the Composition & Communication criteria ranged from 75 to 85 percent, and represents consistent demonstration of written, oral, and visual communication competency. Student performance on Citizenship criteria ranged from 79 to 84 percent, reflecting consistent demonstration competency in of global diversity, as well as community, culture, and citizenship in our general education program.

Figure 3. Percentage of Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations – Composition & Communication

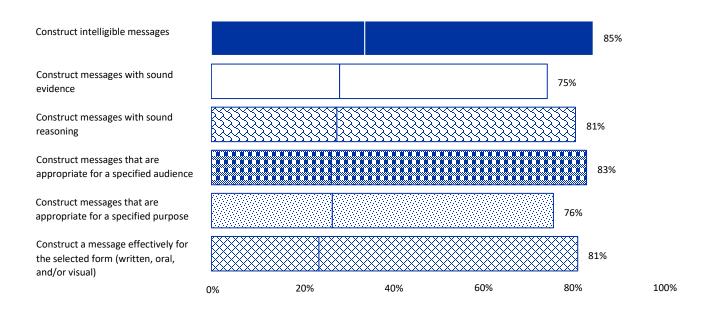
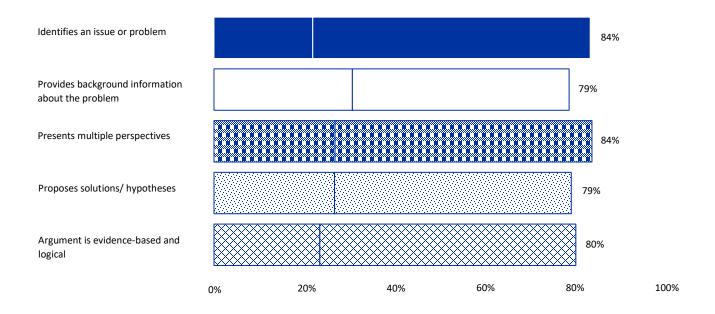


Figure 4. Percentage of Students Meeting or Exceeding Expectations – Citizenship



#### **INTERPRETATION AND USE OF RESULTS**

OSPIE is satisfied with the overall results of this assessment cycle. Across both Core areas (Composition & Communication, Citizenship-Global Dynamics) at least 75 percent of students met the benchmarks for all criteria. OSPIE was benefitted by additional staff support for this assessment cycle, enabling us to anonymize and upload nearly 1300 student artifacts into AQUA to be scored by evaluators. Evaluators were recruited exclusively from the

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Core areas being assessed and were normed utilizing in-person training sessions to increase consistency in scoring, thus strengthening inter-rater reliability.

However, even with additional staff to support a well-coordinated assessment process, notable challenges were encountered throughout the 2017-18 Core assessment cycle. As noted above, the rate of participation among courses that were scheduled for assessment was low (less than 50 percent). Moreover, for Composition & Communication in particular, a substantial number (23 percent) of course/section assignments could not be included in the assessment process because, as stated prior, the assignment was either unusable or unscorable.

Data from the 2017-18 assessment cycle will not be reported at the department or course level due to the issues noted above and historic concerns among some faculty with respect to how those more detailed data will be used. Without such data, individual course instructors will likely find it difficult to interpret the Core data as a means of guiding improvements to their courses.

Although this report will be shared with the UKCEC, improvements over the next few years will focus primarily upon refining the assessment process so that accurate and useful data can be obtained and disseminated in future years. Notable changes that will be made for the 2018-19 or 2019-20 assessment cycle include:

- 1. Include a process of secondary review so that assignments are scored by two different evaluators.
- 2. Improved communication and timing of communication to course instructors and department chairs regarding expectations for Core assessment.
- 3. Improved communication and guidance to professors to select assignments for assessment that both align well with the rubric and can be readily anonymized.
- 4. Creation and dissemination of department-level Core assessment reports.
- 5. Provision of new faculty development resources involving classroom assessment techniques and UK Core.

In addition to the immediate changes noted above, OSPIE is working closely with the UKCEC to identify and implement other improvements to Core assessment. Initial discussions have centered upon methods of increasing instructor and department participation and buy-in and establishing a formal review process of Core course syllabi and assessments.

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Questions or requests for additional data and information regarding this report or UK Core assessment can be directed to the UK Office of Strategic Planning & Institutional Effectiveness (ospie@uky.edu).

#### Learning Outcomes of General Education

(Approved by the University Senate December 8, 2008)

## I. Students will demonstrate an understanding of and ability to employ the processes of intellectual inquiry. [12 credit hours]

#### Outcomes and Assessment Framework

Students will be able to identify multiple dimensions of a good question;<sup>1</sup> determine when additional information is needed, find credible information efficiently using a variety of reference sources, and judge the quality of information as informed by rigorously developed evidence; explore multiple and complex answers to questions/issues problems within and across the four broad knowledge areas: arts and creativity, humanities, social and behavioral sciences, and natural/physical/mathematical sciences; evaluate theses and conclusions in light of credible evidence; explore the ethical implications of differing approaches, methodologies or conclusions; and develop potential solutions to problems based on sound evidence and reasoning.

#### Curricular Framework

Students will take four 3-credit courses, one in each of the four broad knowledge areas defined above.

## II. Students will demonstrate competent written, oral, and visual communication skills both as producers and consumers of information. [6 credit hours]

#### Outcomes and Assessment Framework

Students will demonstrate the ability to construct intelligible messages using sound evidence and reasoning that are appropriate for different rhetorical situations (audiences and purposes) and deliver those messages effectively in written, oral, and visual form. Students will also demonstrate the ability to competently critique (analyze, interpret, and evaluate) written, oral, and visual messages conveyed in a variety of communication contexts.

#### Curricular Framework

Students will take one 3-hour course focusing on the development of effective writing skills, and one 3-hour integrated communications course focusing on oral and visual communication skills, along with continued development of written communication skills.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> i.e., interesting, analytical, problematic, complex, important, genuine, researchable...

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> This proposal assumes the continuation of the Graduation Writing Requirement currently in place.

## III. Students will demonstrate an understanding of and ability to employ methods of quantitative reasoning. [6 credit hours]

#### Outcomes and Assessment Framework

Students will (a) demonstrate how fundamental elements of mathematical, logical and statistical knowledge are applied to solve real-world problems; and (b) explain the sense in which an important source of uncertainty in many everyday decisions is addressed by statistical science, and appraise the efficacy of statistical arguments that are reported for general consumption.

#### Curricular Framework

Students will take one 3-hour course on the application of mathematical, logical and statistical methods, and one 3-hour course devoted to a conceptual and practical understanding of statistical inferential reasoning.

## IV. Students will demonstrate an understanding of the complexities of citizenship and the process for making informed choices as engaged citizens in a diverse, multilingual<sup>3</sup> world. [6 credit hours]

#### Outcomes and Assessment Framework

Students will recognize historical and cultural differences arising from issues such as ethnicity, gender, language, nationality, race, religion, sexuality, and socioeconomic class; students will demonstrate a basic understanding of how these differences influence issues of social justice, both within the U.S. and globally; students will recognize and evaluate the ethical dilemmas, conflicts, and trade-offs involved in personal and collective decision making.

#### Curricular Framework

Students will take two courses, each with a topical or regional focus. The first course will include critical analysis of diversity issues as they relate to the contemporary United States. The second will be a non-US based course that includes critical analysis of local-to-global dynamics as they relate to the contemporary world. In addition, each course must address at least 2 of these 4 topics: societal and institutional change over time; civic engagement; cross-national/comparative issues; power and resistance.<sup>4</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Current University of Kentucky entrance requirements include 2 years of second-language study in high school; this knowledge requirement should be assessed upon students' entrance to the University, as a prerequisite for the fulfillment of Learning Outcome IV.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> This proposal recognizes also that such issues will be addressed throughout the students' course of study, building effectively upon the foundation of the General Education core curriculum.

#### Appendix 2

Table A2. Map of UK Core Outcomes to Kentucky Statewide Learning Outcomes

UK Core Outcome	Statewide Learning Outcome	Rationale
Intellectual Inquiry	Arts & Humanities  Natural Sciences  Social and Behavioral Sciences	Intellectual Inquiry courses establish a foundation for critical and thoughtful approaches to solving problems and promoting intellectual development in the following areas: Arts & Creativity, Humanities, Natural/Physical/Mathematical Sciences, and Social Sciences. This outcome area promotes the development of evidence-based thinkers: students capable of understanding what critical argument demands and what it offers as a way of understanding ourselves, others, and the world around us.
Composition & Communication	Written & Oral Communication	Both outcomes address communicating in a variety of forms and contexts with an emphasis on information literacy and critical analysis.
Citizenship	Social & Behavioral Sciences	The UK Core and statewide outcomes overlap in asking students to analyze problems pertinent to human experience. The UK Core area outcome is particularly focused on historical and cultural differences arising from a variety of human dynamics and experiences. This is one of two UK Core area outcomes that map to the statewide outcome.
Quantitative Reasoning	Quantitative Reasoning	Quantitative Reasoning courses cover areas of Quantitative Foundations and Statistical Inferential Reasoning. Through these courses, students interpret, illustrate, and analyze information in mathematical and statistical forms.





NOTE: Please use the UK Core search filter located on the online course catalog page to view current offerings of UK Core courses.

#### The UK Core – General Education Requirements

The University of Kentucky's general education program—the UK Core—is foundational to a university education at the University of Kentucky. A university education is more than simply learning a set of skills in a specific area in preparation for a job or career. A university education is designed to broaden the students' understanding of themselves, of the world we live in, of their role in our global society, and of the ideals and aspirations that have motivated human thought and action throughout the ages. It must help individuals effectively put into action their acquired knowledge, to provide the bases for critical thinking and problem solving, and to develop life-long learning habits.

The UK Core is composed of the equivalent of 30 credit hours in 10 course areas that address four broad learning outcomes. Depending on choice of major or courses, some students may take more than 30 credit hours to complete the UK Core.

#### The UK Core Learning Outcomes

The UK Core curriculum is based on a comprehensive set of student learning outcomes that all students are expected to be able to demonstrate upon completion of a baccalaureate degree at the University of Kentucky. All UK Core courses are designed to meet one or more of the following learning outcomes:

- I. Students will demonstrate an understanding of and ability to employ the processes of intellectual inquiry. [12 credit hours]
  - Students will be able to identify multiple dimensions of a good question (i.e., interesting, analytical, problematic, complex, important, genuine, researchable); determine when additional information is needed, find credible information efficiently using a variety of reference sources, and judge the quality of information as informed by rigorously developed evidence; explore multiple and complex answers to questions/issues problems within and across the four broad knowledge areas: arts and creativity, humanities, social and behavioral sciences, and natural/ physical/mathematical sciences; evaluate theses and conclusions in light of credible evidence; explore the ethical implications of differing approaches, methodologies or conclusions; and develop potential solutions to problems based on sound evidence and reasoning. Students will take four 3-credit courses, one in each of the four broad knowledge areas defined above.
- II. Students will demonstrate competent written, oral, and visual communication skills both as producers and consumers of information. [6 credit hours]

Students will demonstrate the ability to construct intelligible messages using sound evidence and reasoning that are appropriate for different rhetorical situations (audiences and purposes) and deliver those messages effectively in written, oral, and visual form. Students will also demonstrate the ability to competently critique (analyze, interpret, and evaluate) written, oral, and visual messages conveyed in a variety of communication contexts. Students will take one 3-hour course focusing on the development of effective writing skills, and one 3-hour integrated communications course focusing on oral and visual communication skills, along with continued development of written communication skills.

- III. Students will demonstrate an understanding of and ability to employ methods of quantitative reasoning. [6 credit hours]
  - Students will (a) demonstrate how fundamental elements of mathematical, logical and statistical knowledge are applied to solve real-world problems; and (b) explain the sense in which an important source of uncertainty in many everyday decisions is addressed by statistical science, and appraise the efficacy of statistical arguments that are reported for general consumption. Students will take one 3-hour course on the application of mathematical, logical and statistical methods, and one 3-hour course devoted to a conceptual and practical understanding of statistical inferential reasoning.
- IV. Students will demonstrate an understanding of the complexities of citizenship and the process for making informed choices as engaged citizens in a diverse, multilingual world. [6 credit hours]

Students will recognize historical and cultural differences arising from issues such as ethnicity, gender, language, nationality, race, religion, sexuality, and socioeconomic class; students will demonstrate a basic understanding of how these differences influence issues of social justice, both within the U.S. and globally; students will recognize and evaluate the ethical dilemmas, conflicts, and trade-offs involved in personal and collective decision making. Students will take two courses, each with a topical or regional focus. The first course will include critical analysis of diversity issues as they relate to the contemporary United States. The second will be a non-US based course that includes critical analysis of local-to-global dynamics as they relate to the contemporary world. In addition, each course must address at least 2 of these 4 topics: societal and institutional change over time; civic engagement; cross-national/comparative issues; power and resistance.

#### The Curricular Framework and Relationship to the Learning Outcomes

Students must take one course from each of the areas listed below in order to complete the UK Core. A course taken to satisfy a requirement in one area of the UK Core cannot be used to satisfy a requirement in another area, even if a specific course is present in more than one area (e.g., some courses are designed to meet the learning outcomes in more than one area).

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#### **Course Areas by Learning Outcome Credit Hours Learning Outcome I: Intellectual Inquiry** Learning Outcome II: Written, Oral and Visual Communication **Learning Outcome III: Quantitative Reasoning** Quantitative Foundations 3 Learning Outcome IV: Citizenship Global Dynamics \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_3 UK Core Credit-Hour Total\* 30

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Please consult your advisor for a complete list of options.

#### I. Intellectual Inquiry in Arts and Creativity

Courses in this area are hands-on courses that allow students to engage actively with the creative process. Students will define and distinguish different approaches to creativity, demonstrate the ability to critically analyze work produced by other students, and evaluate results of their own creative endeavors. In general education, a focus on creativity adds to the vitality and relevance of learning and will translate into graduates who are better prepared to face the challenges of a dynamic society.

To fulfill the Arts and Creativity requirement, complete **one** of the following:

A-E 120	Pathways to Creativity in the Visual Arts
A-H 304	African Art and Its Global Impact
A-S 102	Two-Dimensional Surface
A-S 103	Three-Dimensional Form
A-S 130	Drawing
A-S 200	Introduction to Digital Art, Space, and Time
A-S 245	Introduction to Web Design
A-S 270	Ceramics for Non-Majors
A-S 280	Introduction to Photographic Literacy
A-S 285	Lens Arts
A-S 300	Digital Photography
A-S 340	Introduction to Graphic Design, Meaning and Image
A-S 380	Black & White Darkroom Photography
AAS 168	All That Speak of Jazz: An Intellectual Inquiry
	Into Jazz and Democracy
<b>BAE 402</b> †	Biosystems Engineering Design I
BAE403†	Biosystems Engineering Design II
CME 455*	Chemical Engineering Product and Process Design I
<b>DES 100</b>	Design in Your World
EE 101	Creativity and Design in Electrical and Computer Engineering
EGR 101**	Engineering Exploration I
EGR 103**	Engineering Exploration II
EGR 112**	Engineering Exploration for Transfer Students
ENG 107	Writing Craft: Introduction to Creative Writing
ENG 130	Literary Encounters

	Into Jazz and Democracy
ENG 180	Great Movies (Subtitle required)
GEO 109	Digital Mapping
<b>HON 252</b>	Honors in Arts and Creativity (Subtitle required)
ICT 200	Information Literacy and Critical Thinking
IS 200	Information Literacy and Critical Thinking
LA 111	Living on the Right Side of the Brain
MCL311	The World of Autobiography
MCL312	The Art of Adaptation
ME 411	ME Capstone Design I
MNG 592	Mine Design Project II
<b>MUS 123</b>	Beginning Classroom Guitar
<b>MUS 130</b>	Performing World Music (Subtitle required)
MUS 200	Music for Living
<b>MUS 222</b>	Creativity and Innovation in Rock Music
PHI 315	Philosophy and Science Fiction
PLS 240	Introduction to Floral Design
TA 110	Theatre: An Introduction
TA 120	Creativity and the Art of Acting
TA 150	Creativity and the Art of Design and Production
TA 220	Shakespeare Page to Stage
TA 370	Staging History
<b>TAD 140</b>	Introduction to Dance
UKC 100	A&C Inquiry
WRD 312	Introduction to Documentary

All That Speak of Jazz: An Intellectual Inquiry

<sup>\*</sup>The UK Core is designed to provide the equivalent of 30 credit hours. Some courses in the UK Core require more than three credits, resulting in more than 30 credits in some cases.

<sup>†</sup> Students must complete both BAE 402 and BAE 403 to fulfill the Arts and Creativity requirement.

<sup>\*</sup> Chemical Engineering students only.

<sup>\*\*</sup> EGR 101/EGR 112 and EGR 103 are paired courses. Students must complete both EGR 101 (or EGR 112) and EGR 103 to earn UK Core credit. In addition, EGR 102 is a prerequisite for EGR 103.

#### II. Intellectual Inquiry in the Humanities

These courses develop students' skills in *interpretation* and *analysis* of creations of the human intellect such as art and literature (including folklore, popular culture, film and digital media), philosophical and religious contemplation and argumentation, language systems, and historical narratives. In these courses, students gain the ability not only to analyze the works themselves but to *evaluate* competing interpretations of such works.

To fulfill the Humanities requirement, complete **one** of the following:

A-H 101	Introduction to Viewal Ctudies	HIS 130	Draws and Alaskal in Western Civilization 1402 to the Duscent
A-H 101 A-H 105	Introduction to Visual Studies World Art Before 1400	HIS 130	Drugs and Alcohol in Western Civilization, 1492 to the Present
A-H 105 A-H 106	Renaissance to Modern Art	HIS 202	A History of World Religions (Subtitle required) History of the British People to the Restoration
A-H 100 A-H 334	Reframing Renaissance Art	HIS 202	History of the British People Since the Restoration
A-11334 AAS 253	History of Pre-Colonial Africa	HIS 207	History of Modern Latin America, 1810 to Present
AAS 254	History of Colonial and Post-Colonial Africa	HIS 229	The Ancient Near East and Greece
AAS 264	Introduction to Black Writers	HIS 229	to the Death of Alexander the Great
AIS 228	Islamic Civilization	HIS 230	The Hellenistic World and Rome to the Death of Constantine
AIS 320	Modern Arabic Literature and Film in Translation	HIS 253	History of Pre-Colonial Africa
AIS 345	Islamic Mysticism	HIS 254	History of Colonial and Post-Colonial Africa
ARC 314*	History and Theory III: 20th Century	HIS 296	East Asia Since 1600
ARC 314	and Contemporary Architecture	HJS 110	Introduction to the Old Testament/Hebrew Bible
CHI 330	Introduction to Chinese Culture, Pre-Modern to 1840	HON 151	Honors in Humanities (Subtitle required)
CHI 331	Introduction to Chinese Culture, 1840 to Present	ID 161	History and Theory of Interior Environments I
CLA 135	Greek and Roman Mythology	ID 162	History and Theory of Interior Environments II
CLA 190	Introduction to the New Testament	ITA 263	Studies in Italian Culture (Subtitle required)
CLA 191	Christianity, Culture, and Society: A Historical Introduction	LIN 209	The Structure and Use of English
CLA 229	The Ancient Near East and Greece	MCL 100	The World of Language
CLIT 22)	to the Death of Alexander the Great	MCL 135	Vampires: Evolution of a Sexy Monster
CLA 230	The Hellenistic World and Rome to the Death of Constantine	MCL 200	Global Literacy
CPH 309	Health, History, and Human Diversity	MCL 270	Introduction to Folklore and Mythology
EGR 201	Literature, Technology, and Culture	MCL 343	Global Horror
ENG 142	Global Shakespeare	MCL360	Catastrophes and Calamities in the Greco-Roman World
ENG 191	Literature and the Arts of Citizenship	WELSOO	and Afterwards
ENG209	The Structure and Use of English	MUS 100	Introduction to Music
ENG 230	Introduction to Literature (Subtitle required)	PHI 100	Introduction to Philosophy: Knowledge and Reality
<b>ENG 260</b>	Introduction to Black Writers	PHI 260	History of Philosophy I: From Greek Beginnings
ENG 280	Introduction to Film		to the Middle Ages
ENG 290	Introduction to Women's Literature	PHI 270	History of Philosophy II: From the Renaissance to the Present Era
EPE350	Town and Gown in Fact and Fiction:	PHI 310	Philosophy of Human Nature
	Campus and Community as Local History	PHI 317	Existentialist Thought and Literature
FR 103	French Cinema	PHI 380	Death, Dying and the Quality of Life
FR 205	The French Graphic Novel	RUS 275	Russian Film
FR 225	French Film Noir	RUS 371	The Russian Cultural Imagination: 900-1900
GER 103	Fairy Tales in European Context	RUS 372	Experiments in Life and Art: Russian Culture 1900-Present
GER 305	German Film Today	SPA 262	Hispanic Literatures in Translation (Subtitle required)
<b>GWS 201</b>	Gender and Popular Culture	SPA 330	Spanish and Globalization
GWS 309	Health, History, and Human Diversity	SPA 371	Latin American Cinema (Subtitle required)
HIS 104	A History of Europe Through the Mid-Seventeenth Century	SPA 372	Spanish Cinema (Subtitle required)
HIS 105	A History of Europe from the Mid-Seventeenth Century	TA 385	World Theatre I
	to the Present	TA 386	World Theatre II
HIS 108	History of the United States Through 1876	TA 388	History of the American Musical
HIS 109	History of the United States Since 1877	UKC 110	HUM Inquiry: Intro to Collegiate Life
HIS 112	The Making of Modern Kentucky	WRD 210	Social Media: Theory, Culture, Politics, Practice
HIS 119	War and Society, 1350-1914	WRD 320	Rhetorical Theory and History
HIS 121	War and Society, 1914-1945	I	

<sup>\*</sup> Architecture students only.

#### III. Intellectual Inquiry in the Social Sciences

These courses promote an understanding of the relationships between individuals and society and how scholars have come to understand these relationships using conceptual models and processes of inquiry. Through a discipline-based study of social problems or themes, students will learn to critically evaluate the variety of social situations with which they may be confronted in their everyday lives.

To fulfill the Social Sciences Requirement, complete one of the following:

AIS 430	Islam in America	EPE 174	Theories of College Student Success
ANT 101	What Makes Us Human? Intro to Anthropology	EPE 374	Theories of College Student Development and Mentoring
<b>ANT 102</b>	Archaeology: Mysteries and Controversies	<b>GEO 172</b>	Human Geography
ANT 103	Sports, Culture, and Society	<b>GWS 200</b>	Sex and Power
ANT 335	Religion in Everyday Life	HON 251	Honors in Social Sciences (Subtitle required)
ANT 339	Human Rights in Global Perspective	HP 101	Historic Preservation
CLD102*	The Dynamics of Rural Social Life	ICT 150	Experience ICT
COM 101	Introduction to Communications	MCL 135	Vampires: Evolution of a Sexy Monster
COM 311	Taking Control of Your Health: Patient-Provider Communication	MCL270	Introduction to Folklore and Mythology
COM313	Interpersonal Communication in Close Relationships	<b>PCE 201</b>	Introduction to Peace Studies
<b>COM 314</b>	The Dark Side of Interpersonal Communication and Relationships	PS 230	Introduction to International Relations
COM 317	Communication in Family and Marital Relationships	PSY 100	Introduction to Psychology
<b>CPH 201</b>	Introduction to Public Health	RUS 370	Russian Folklore (in English)
CPH 202	Public Health Through Popular Film	SOC 101*	Introduction to Sociology
<b>CPH 203</b>	Sexual Health	UKC 130	SS Inquiry
ECO 101	Contemporary Economic Issues	UKC 131	SS Inquiry
EGR 120	Technology: Blessing or Curse	UKC330	SS Inquiry UD

<sup>\*</sup> Students may not receive credit for both SOC 101 and CLD 102.

#### IV. Intellectual Inquiry in the Natural, Physical and Mathematical Sciences

These courses engage students in the fundamental processes of science through the exploration of an area in science. Students will be expected to use their knowledge of scientific concepts to formulate predictions, collect and analyze data, and construct explanations for the questions posed.

To fulfill the Natural, Physical and Mathematical Sciences requirement, complete one of the following:

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ABT 120	Genetics and Society	EES 180	Geology of the National Parks
ANT 230	Introduction to Biological Anthropology	ENT 110	Insect Biology
ARC 333	Environmental Controls II	FOR 100	Forests and Forestry
<b>AST 191</b>	The Solar System	GEO 130	Earth's Physical Environment
<b>BIO 102</b>	Human Ecology	GEO 133	Science and Policy of Natural Hazards
<b>BIO 103</b>	Basic Ideas of Biology	GEO 135	Global Climate Change
<b>CHE 101</b>	Molecular Science for Citizens	HON 152	Honors in Natural, Physical, and Mathematical Sciences
CHE 105†	General College Chemistry I		(Subtitle required)
CHE 109*	General Chemistry I	MUS 140	Acoustics of Music
CHE 110*	General Chemistry II	PHY 120	How Things Work
CHE 111†	Laboratory to Accompany General Chemistry I	PHY 130	Science and Technology for the Future
<b>CPH 310</b>	Disease Detectives: Epidemiology in Action	PHY 140	<b>Quantum Theory for Everyone</b>
EE 167	Fundamentals of Nanotechnology and	PHY 211	General Physics
	Applications in Renewable Energy	PHY 231**	General University Physics
<b>EES 110</b>	Endangered Planet: An Introduction to Environmental Geology	PHY 241**	General University Physics Laboratory
EES 120	Sustainable Planet: The Geology of Natural Resources	PLS 104	Plants, Soils, and People: A Science Perspective
<b>EES 150</b>	Earthquakes and Volcanoes	UKC 320	NS Inquiry UD
EES 170	Blue Planet: Introduction to Oceanography		

 $<sup>\</sup>dagger$  CHE 105 and 111 are paired courses. To earn UK Core credit, both courses must be completed. CHE 111 may be taken concurrently with CHE 105 or after CHE 105 has been completed. Students must sign up for them separately.

<sup>\*</sup> CHE 109 and CHE 110 are equivalent to CHE 105. To earn UK Core credit, students must complete CHE 109, CHE 110 and CHE 111. Students must sign up for them separately.

<sup>\*\*</sup> PHY231 and 241 are paired courses. To earn UK Core credit, both PHY231 and PHY241 must be completed. They may be taken in either order and students must sign up for them separately.

#### V. Composition and Communication I

In this course, students are introduced to the process of writing, speaking, and visually representing their own ideas and the ideas of others; they also practice basic interpersonal communication skills and the ability to communicate with multiple audiences.

To fulfill the Composition and Communication I requirement, complete one of the following:

CIS 110 Composition and Communication I
 CIS 112 Accelerated Composition and Communication II (CIS)
 WRD 110 Composition and Communication I
 ICT 114 Composition and Communication in the Digital Age I
 WRD 112 Accelerated Composition and Communication II (WRD)

Placement in CIS/WRD 112 – Students who have a score of 32 or above on the English component of the ACT; a score of 720 or above on SATI Verbal; or a standard score of 4 or 5 on the AP English Language Exam receive placement in CIS/WRD 112. No credit for CIS/WRD 110/111 is awarded.

#### VI. Composition and Communication II

In this course, students research public controversies and work in teams to analyze and argue for a solution to these controversies in oral, written, and visual/digital forms for multiple audiences.

To fulfill the Composition and Communication II requirement, complete one of the following:

CIS 111 Composition and Communication II
 CIS 112 Accelerated Composition and Communication II (CIS)
 CIS 184 Communicating Arguments
 WRD 111 Composition and Communication II (WRD)
 WRD 112 Accelerated Composition and Communication II (WRD)

Placement in CIS/WRD 112 – Students who have a score of 32 or above on the English component of the ACT; a score of 720 or above on SATI Verbal; or a standard score of 4 or 5 on the AP English Language Exam receive placement in CIS/WRD 112. No credit for CIS/WRD 110/111 is awarded.

#### VII. Quantitative Foundations

These courses are concerned with the application of mathematical concepts and skills to solve real-world problems. In order to perform effectively as professionals and citizens, students must become competent in reading and using quantitative data, in understanding quantitative evidence and in applying basic quantitative skills to the solution of real-life problems.

NOTE: Students must have demonstrated basic proficiency in math skills as determined by a minimum Math ACT of 19 or the appropriate math placement test to take these courses.

To fulfill the Quantitative Foundations requirement, complete one of the following:

CS 261	Social Networks: Methods and Tools	MA 111	Introduction to Contemporary Mathematics
EES 151	Quantitative Planet	MA 113	Calculus I
EES 155	Earthquakes and Quantitative Reasoning	MA 123	Elementary Calculus and Its Applications
EES 185	Quantifying the Bluegrass Water Supply	MA 137	Calculus I With Life Science Applications
<b>FOR 200</b>	Basics of Geospatial Technology	PHI 120	The Art of Thinking: An Introduction to Logic
MA 109	College Algebra		

#### VIII. Statistical Inferential Reasoning

These courses will encourage students to evaluate claims based on statistical principles by providing an understanding of the conceptual and practical applications of statistical reasoning and thinking. Students will receive an introduction to the science of statistics, and while students will be expected to reason with statistical ideas and make sense of statistical information, computations are not the focus.

To fulfill the Statistical Inferential Reasoning requirement, complete one of the following:

ANT 360	Statistics in Anthropology	PSY 215*	<b>Experimental Psychology</b>
BAE202	Statistical Inferences for Biosystems Engineering	PSY 216*	Applications of Statistics in Psychology
BST 230	Statistical Thinking in Public Health	SOC 303	Quantitative Sociological Analysis
<b>EDP 557</b>	Gathering, Analyzing, and Using Educational Data	STA 210	Making Sense of Uncertainty:
EPE 557	Gathering, Analyzing, and Using Educational Data		An Introduction to Statistical Reasoning
FOR 250	Statistics and Measurements I	STA 296	Statistical Methods and Motivations
<b>MNG 335</b>	Introduction to Mine Systems Analysis	STA 381	Engineering Statistics - A Conceptual Approach

<sup>\*</sup> PSY215 and 216 are paired courses and are restricted to Psychology majors and minors. To earn UK Core credit, both PSY215 and PSY216 must be completed. They may be taken in either order and students must sign up for them separately.

#### IX. Community, Culture and Citizenship in the USA

These courses promote a student's understanding of historical, societal, and cultural differences, such as those arising from race, ethnicity, gender, sexuality, language, nationality, religion, political and ethical perspectives, and socioeconomic class; engage students in grappling with conflicts, compromises, and/or ethical dilemmas stemming from the complex and diverse cultural contexts of US communities; and foster effective and responsible participation in a diverse community or society in the United States.

To fulfill the Community, Culture and Citizenship in the USA requirement, complete one of the following:

A-H 360	Visual Culture of Politics	GWS 301	Crossroads (Subtitle required)
AAS 168	All That Speak of Jazz: An Intellectual Inquiry	GWS 309	Health, History, and Human Diversity
	Into Jazz and Democracy	HIS 108	History of the United States Through 1876
<b>AAS 200</b>	Introduction to African-American Studies	HIS 109	History of the United States Since 1877
AAS 235	Inequalities in Society	HIS 112	The Making of Modern Kentucky
AAS 261	African American History 1865-Present	HIS 261	African American History 1865-Present
AIS 430	Islam in America	LIN331	Language in U.S. Society
ANT 221	Native People of North America	MCL335	Democracy - Ancient and American
ANT 330	North American Cultures	PHI 130	Introduction to Philosophy: Morality and Society
APP 200	Introduction to Appalachian Studies	PHI 205	Food Ethics
CLD 360	Environmental Sociology	PHI 335	The Individual and Society
COM 312	Learning Intercultural Communication	PHI 340	Introduction to Feminism and Philosophy
	Through Media and Film	PHI 361	Biology and Society (Subtitle required)
COM 315	Understanding Workplace Communication	PS 101	American Government
antra	in a Diverse U.S. Society	PSY 320	Introduction to Forensics: Psychology and Legal Issues
CPH 309	Health, History, and Human Diversity	SOC 235	Inequalities in Society
ENG 168	All That Speak of Jazz: An Intellectual Inquiry	SOC 360	Environmental Sociology
ENC 101	Into Jazz and Democracy	SPA 208	U.S. Latino Culture and Politics
ENG 191 EPE 301	Literature and the Arts of Citizenship Education in American Culture	SW 325	Social Justice Foundations
		TA 286	Social Action Theatre
GEN 100*	Issues in Agriculture, Food and Environment U.S. Cities	UKC 180	US Citizen: Civil Rights/Equal Rights
GEO 220		WRD 222	Current Events and Public Engagement:
GEO 221	Immigrant America: A Geographic Perspective		U.S. Citizens, Global Citizens
GEO320	Geography of the United States and Canada	WRD 422	Public Advocacy (Subtitle required)
GRN 250	Aging in Today's World	1	

 $<sup>* \</sup> GEN 100 is for College \ of Agriculture, Food \ and Environment \ students \ only.$ 

#### X. Global Dynamics

These courses equip students to participate in a diverse, multielingual world community. Toward this end, students consider issues of equality, ethical dilemmas, global trends, social change, and civic engagement in the context of local cultures outside the U.S.

To fulfill the Global Dynamics requirement, complete **one** of the following:

A-H 304	African Art and Its Global Impact	HIS 122	War and Society Since 1945
A-H 311	The Arts as Soft Power: The Japanese Tea Ceremony	HIS 191	A History of World Religions (Subtitle required)
<b>AAS 100</b>	Introduction to African Studies	HIS 202	History of the British People to the Restoration
AAS 253	History of Pre-Colonial Africa	HIS 203	History of the British People Since the Restoration
AAS 254	History of Colonial and Post-Colonial Africa	HIS 206	History of Colonial Latin America, 1492-1810
ANT 160	Cultural Diversity in the Modern World	HIS 207	History of Modern Latin America, 1810 to Present
<b>ANT 222</b>	Middle East Cultures	HIS 208	History of the Atlantic World
ANT 225	Culture, Environment and Global Issues	HIS 253	History of Pre-Colonial Africa
ANT 241	Origins of Old World Civilization	HIS 254	History of Colonial and Post-Colonial Africa
ANT 242	Origins of New World Civilization	HIS 296	East Asia Since 1600
ANT 311	Anthropology of Globalization	HIS 357	Japan at War, 1850 to the Present
ANT 321	Introduction to Japanese Culture, Meiji (1868) to Present	HON 352	Study and Travel Abroad (Subtitle required)
ANT 329	Cultures and Societies of Eurasia and Eastern Europe:	ICT 205	Issues in Information and Communication Technology Policy
	Socialism and Post-Socialist Change	INT 200	Introduction to International Studies
ARC 315	History and Theory of Architecture IV: Urban Forms	ITA 335	Topics in Italian Cinema (Subtitle required)
CHI 331	Introduction to Chinese Culture, 1840 to Present	JPN 320	Introduction to Japanese Culture, Pre-Modern to 1868
CLD380	Globalization: A Cross-Cultural Perspective	JPN 321	Introduction to Japanese Culture, Meiji (1868) to Present
COM 390	Communication Education Abroad (Subtitle required)	JPN 351	The Japanese Experience of the Twentieth Century
EGR 240	Global Energy Issues	LAS 201	Introduction to Latin America
<b>ENG 142</b>	Global Shakespeare	<b>MAT 247</b>	Dress and Culture
ENG171	Global Literature in English	MCL324	The City in the Twentieth-Century: Tokyo, Shanghai, Paris
FOR 435	Conservation Biology	MCL 343	Global Horror
<b>GEO 160</b>	Lands and Peoples of the Non-Western World	MCL360	Catastrophes and Calamities in the Greco-Roman World
GEO 161	Global Inequalities		and Afterwards
<b>GEO 162</b>	Introduction to Global Environmental Issues	MUS 330	Music in the World (Subtitle required)
GEO 163	Global Conflicts	MUS 335	Exploring World Music and Ethnomusicology
GEO 164	iWorlds: Global Information Geographies	PCE410	Peace Studies Capstone Seminar
<b>GEO 222</b>	Cities of the World	PHI 343	<b>Asian Philosophy</b>
GEO255	Geography of the Global Economy	PLS 103	Plants, Soils, and People: A Global Perspective
GEO260	Geographies of Development in the Global South	PPS 104	International Healthcare Experience
<b>GEO 261</b>	Global Dynamics of Health and Disease	PS 210	Introduction to Comparative Politics
GEO316	Environment and Development	RUS 275	Russian Film
GER 305	German Film Today	RUS 370	Russian Folklore (in English)
GER 342	War, Peace, and Terror in Germany and Europe	<b>RUS 371</b>	The Russian Cultural Imagination: 900-1900
GER 361	German Cinema	<b>RUS 372</b>	Experiments in Life and Art: Russian Culture 1900-Present
<b>GWS 250</b>	Social Movements	SAG 201	Cultural Perspectives on Sustainability
<b>GWS 302</b>	Gender Across the World (Subtitle required)	SOC 180	Global Societies in Comparative Perspective
HIS 100	Introduction to African Studies	SOC 380	Globalization: A Cross-Cultural Perspective
HIS 104	A History of Europe Through the Mid-Seventeenth Century	SPA 111	The Hispanic Caribbean
HIS 105	A History of Europe From the Mid-Seventeenth	UKC 190	Global Dyn: Global Citizenship
	Century to the Present	WRD 420	Rhetorical Traditions (Subtitle required)
HIS 121	War and Society, 1914-1945		

#### Foreign Language Requirement

Foreign language is no longer explicitly required as part of the new UK General Education, the UK Core. However, foreign language proficiency is still an expectation for students who enter UK, and is still considered to be an important part of the students' educational background.

Any first-time freshman or transfer student must demonstrate that they have completed two high school credits in a single foreign language, or two semesters at the postsecondary level. A student who has not completed the high school foreign language requirement will be required to take a two-semester sequence in one foreign language at the University of Kentucky prior to graduation.

#### **UK Core Composition and Communication Rubric**

**UK Core Learning Outcome 2:** Students will demonstrate competent written, oral, and visual communication skills both as producers and consumers of information.

Outcomes and Assessment Framework: Students will demonstrate the ability to construct intelligible messages using sound evidence and reasoning that are appropriate for different rhetorical situations (audiences and purposes) and deliver those messages effectively in written, oral, and visual form. Students will also demonstrate the ability to competently critique (analyze, interpret, and evaluate) written, oral, and visual messages conveyed in a variety of communication contexts.

	Exceeds Expectations	Meets Expectations	Does Not Meet Expectations
Student will demonstrate the ability to construct intelligible messages	Message is intelligible.	Message is intelligible the majority of the time but may have several exceptions.	Message is only somewhat intelligible.
Student will demonstrate the ability to construct messages with sound evidence	Message is supported with appropriate evidence (support) with sources that are clearly identified in a systematic manner as necessary.	Appropriate evidence (support) is used and identified (as necessary) the majority of the time but identification of sources may be flawed.	Appropriate evidence (support) is used and identified (as necessary) sporadically; identification of sources is flawed.
Student will demonstrate the ability to construct messages with sound reasoning	Message is grounded in a logical organization overall and within specific components of the message.	Message is supported by reasoning the majority of the time with an overall logical organization but may have some gaps in reasoning and/or organization	Message intermittently follows an organization that represents basic reasoning.
Student will demonstrate the ability to construct messages that are appropriate for a specified audience	Message is tailored to the specified audience.	Message is tailored to the specified audience the majority of the time but does include components (e.g., language, level of formality) that do not fit the audience.	Message is somewhat tailored to specified audience the majority of the time.
Student will demonstrate the ability to construct messages that are appropriate for a specified purpose	Message is appropriate for the specified purpose in terms of breadth and depth.	Message is tailored to the specific purpose in terms of breadth and depth the majority of the time.	Message is somewhat tailored to the specific purpose in terms of breadth and depth.
Student will demonstrate the ability to construct a message effectively for the selected form (written, oral, and/or visual)	Message is adapted effectively to the selected form representing an understanding of the opportunities and constraints of the medium.	Message is mostly adapted to the selected form representing a general understanding of the opportunities and constraints of the medium that has some limitations.	Message is somewhat appropriate for the medium.

#### **UK Core Citizenship Rubric**

**UK Core Learning Outcome 4**: Students will demonstrate an understanding of the complexities of citizenship and the process for making informed choices as engaged citizens in a diverse, multilingual world.

Outcomes and Assessment Framework: Students will (A) recognize historical and cultural differences arising from issues such as race, ethnicity, age, gender, sexuality, language, nationality, religion, political and ethical perspectives, and socioeconomic class; students will (B) demonstrate a basic understanding of how these differences influence issues of social justice and/or civic responsibility, both within the U.S. and globally; students will (C) recognize and evaluate the ethical dilemmas, conflicts, and trade-offs involved in personal and collective decision making. Topics will (D) include at least 2 of the following: societal and institutional change over time; civic engagement; cross-national/comparative issues; power and resistance.

	Exceeds Expectations	Meets Expectations	Does Not Meet Expectations
Identifies an issue or problem	Demonstrates the ability to	Demonstrates the ability to	Demonstrates a limited ability
	construct a clear and insightful	construct a problem statement	in identifying a problem
	problem statement with	with evidence of most relevant	statement or related
	evidence of all relevant	contextual factors, but problem	contextual factors.
	contextual factors.	statement is superficial.	
Provides background	Demonstrates sophisticated	Demonstrates partial	Demonstrates surface
information about the	·		understanding of the
problem (historical, cultural,			complexity of elements of the
social justice, or civic	problem in relation to its	problem in relation to its	problem in relation to its
responsibility)	history, values, politics,	history, values, politics,	history, values, politics,
	communication styles,	communication styles,	communication styles,
	economy, or beliefs &	economy, or beliefs &	economy, or beliefs &
	practices.	practices.	practices.
Presents multiple perspectives	Student states a position and	Student states a position and	Student states a position but
	can state the objections to,	can state the objections to,	cannot state the objections to
	assumptions and implications	assumptions and implications	and assumptions and
of and can reasonably defend of different ethical		of different ethical	limitations of the different
	against the objections to,	perspectives/concepts but	perspectives/concepts.
	assumptions and implications	sumptions and implications does not respond to them (and	
	of different ethical	ultimately objections,	
	perspectives/concepts and the	assumptions and implications	
	student's defense is adequate	are compartmentalized by	
	and effective.	student and do not affect	
		student's position.)	

	Exceeds Expectations	Meets Expectations	Does Not Meet Expectations	
Proposes solutions/	Proposes one or more	Proposes one or more	Proposes a solution/hypothesis	
hypotheses	solutions/hypotheses that	solutions/ hypotheses that	that is difficult to evaluate	
	indicate a deep comprehension of the problem.	indicate partial comprehension of the problem. Solutions/	because it is vague or only indirectly addresses the	
	Solution/hypotheses are sensitive to contextual factors.	hypotheses are sensitive to contextual factors.	problem statement.	
Argument is evidence-based	Synthesizes in depth Presents information from Presents info		Presents information from	
and logical	information from relevant	relevant sources representing	irrelevant sources representing	
	sources representing various	limited points of	limited points of	
	points of view/approaches.	view/approaches.	view/approaches.	

#### Appendix 5

Table 3. Frequency Distributions of Scores for Communication & Composition Outcomes

	Does Not			Total
	Meet	Meets	Exceeds	Meets/ Exceeds
Communication & Composition	N (%)	N (%)	N (%)	N (%)
Demonstrate the ability to construct intelligible messages	122 (15)	405 (51)	272 (34)	677 (85)
Demonstrate the ability to construct messages with sound				
evidence	195 (26)	353 (46)	218 (29)	571 (75)
Demonstrate the ability to construct messages with sound				
reasoning	153 (19)	422 (53)	222 (28)	644 (81)
Demonstrate the ability to construct messages that are				
appropriate for a specified audience	115 (17)	389 (57)	183 (27)	572 (83)
Demonstrate the ability to construct messages that are				
appropriate for a specified purpose	192 (24)	391 (49)	214 (27)	605 (76)
Demonstrate the ability to construct a message effectively				
for the selected form (written, oral, and/or visual)	141 (19)	433 (57)	180 (24)	613 (81)

Table 4. Frequency Distributions of Scores for Citizenship Outcomes

	Does Not			Total
	Meet	Meets	Exceeds	Meets/ Exceeds
Communication & Composition	N (%)	N (%)	N (%)	N (%)
Identifies an issue or problem	67 (17)	250 (62)	89 (22)	339 (84)
Provides background information about the problem	89 (21)	202 (48)	129 (31)	331 (79)
Presents multiple perspectives	54 (16)	191 (57)	90 (27)	281 (84)
Proposes solutions/ hypotheses	41 (21)	104 (53)	53 (27)	157 (79)
Argument is evidence-based and logical	78 (20)	225 (57)	93 (24)	318 (80)