

SMSU's Liberal Education Student Learning Outcomes

Outcome 1: Understand the techniques and habits of thought in a variety of liberal arts disciplines, having attained an adequate foundation of knowledge in those disciplines.

Outcome 2: Communicate effectively.

Outcome 3: Be creative thinkers able to identify, formulate, and solve problems using interdisciplinary perspectives.

Outcome 4: Be critical thinkers who evaluate information wisely and examine how assumptions and positions are shaped.

Outcome 5: Understand both physical and social aspects of the world and their place in it.

Outcome 6: Embrace the similarities among peoples and appreciate the diversity that enriches the human experience.

Outcome 7: Analyze moral judgments and engage in moral discourse.

Outcome 8: Practice responsible citizenship in their local and global communities.

Outcome 9: Continue life-long learning.

Outcome 10: Integrate mind, body, and spirit, the essential elements of a flourishing life.

SMSU LEP

Part I: SMSU MnTC (minimum 42 credits)

Part II: SMSU Liberal Education Graduation Requirements

- LEP 400: Contemporary Issues Seminar (3 credits)
- Major course designated as Communication/Critical Thinking
- Major course designated as Capstone

SMSU's Minnesota Transfer Curriculum Goals

Goal 1: Communication

English Composition: Two courses (7 credits)

Speech/Communication: One course (3 credits)

Total: Three courses (10 credits)

Goal 2: Critical Thinking

Total: One course (3 credits)

Goal 3: Natural Sciences

Total: Two courses with labs (8 credits)

Goal 4: Mathematics/Logical Reasoning

Total: One course (3-5 credits)

Goal 5: History and the Social and Behavioral Sciences

Total: Two courses from different disciplines (6 credits)

Goal 6: The Humanities and the Fine Arts

Total: Two courses from different disciplines (6 credits)

Goal 7: Human Diversity

Total: One course (3 credits)

Goal 8: Global Perspective

Total: One course (3-4 credits)

Goal 9: Ethical and Civic Responsibility

Total: One course (3 credits)

Goal 10: People and the Environment

Total: One course (3-4 credits)

Minimum total credits to complete SMSU's MnTC's Ten Goal areas: 42.

Some courses may fulfill two MnTC Goal areas, but this does not reduce the 42 credit requirement.