

Memorandum

Date: July 31, 2009
To: St. Petersburg College Board of Trustees
From: Jesse Coraggio, Ph.D., Director of Institutional Research and Effectiveness
Subject: Revised General Education Outcomes

The Educational Oversight Group met on May 1, 2009, and voted to recommend to the President's Cabinet a set of revised general education outcomes, which are based on the state recommended outcomes. The forty Educational Oversight Group members include representatives from across the college (e.g., deans, academic chairs, faculty, etc.), and are appointed by the Senior VP Academic & Student Affairs. Their focus area is to review key educational outcomes information.

These revised general education outcomes were presented and approved by the President's Cabinet on May 11, 2009.

Please see the attachment for a crosswalk containing the old general education outcomes as well as the revised general education outcomes.

Please let us know if you have any questions or if we can be of any assistance.

Memorandum Attachment

General Education Outcomes Crosswalk

Old St. Petersburg College General Education Outcomes	New St. Petersburg College General Education Outcomes (Cabinet Approved 5/11/2009)
Think logically, critically and creatively to solve problems and make decisions.	<i>Adopt Florida CC Gen Ed Outcome with revision</i> Critical Thinking <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Analyze, synthesize, reflect upon, and apply information to solve problems, and make decisions logically, ethically, and creatively
Communicate effectively by demonstrating the ability to speak, listen, read and write in an organized and analytical manner.	<i>Adopt Florida CC Gen Ed Outcome with revised order</i> Communication <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Listen, speak, read, and write effectively
Demonstrate effective mathematical skills emphasizing practical problem-solving and data interpretation. Utilize the scientific method as it applies to understanding scientific and social phenomena.	<i>Adopt Florida CC Gen Ed Outcome</i> Scientific and Quantitative Reasoning <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Understand and apply mathematical and scientific principles and methods
Implement appropriate forms of existing and evolving technology for personal, educational, and professional purposes.	<i>Adopt Florida CC Gen Ed Outcome with revision</i> Information and Technology Fluency <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Find, evaluate, organize, and use information using a variety of current technologies and other resources
Demonstrate an understanding and appreciation of the humanities and fine arts including participating in cultural activities featuring art, music, literature, dance and/or theater. Participate as informed and responsible citizens in solving social, economic and political problems in a multicultural and global society. Recognize ethical issues and dilemmas in the personal, business and social areas of their lives and apply ethical principles and logical problem-solving skills when making ethical decisions.	<i>Adopt Florida CC Gen Ed Outcome with revision</i> Global Socio-Cultural Responsibility <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Participate actively as informed and ethically responsible citizens in social, cultural, global, and environmental matters

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<p>Recognize basic scientific principles underlying human influence upon the earth and its inhabitants.</p> <p>Demonstrate the ability to work effectively with others in a variety of settings.</p> <p>Recognize the importance of the lifelong learning process in the pursuit of personal, intellectual and career development.</p>	<p><i>Remove from general education outcomes</i></p> <p><i>While the group believes these three outcomes are important for our students, they are already inherent within SPC's curriculum, and thus do not individually merit inclusion within SPC's general education outcomes.</i></p>