

## University-Wide Student Learning Objectives

Through the following student learning objectives, Valparaiso University affirms its mission-based commitment to educate responsible global citizens who are ready to lead and serve church and society.

The Committee on Assessment has built these University-wide student learning objectives from the Mission Statement, the Strategic Plan, the work of the General Education Committee, and the assessment plans of all the colleges, departments, and programs.

These objectives are designed to help colleges and departments clearly link their student learning objectives to those of the University. All academic units will indicate how the learning outcomes of their curriculum and of individual courses within that curriculum link to some, or all, of the University-wide student learning objectives. The objectives are designed to include the cognitive, skill, and value domains of learning.

Students will:

1. Demonstrate theoretical and practical knowledge as well as the intellectual skills and creative capacities pertinent to their respective fields of study.
2. Solve both conceptual and applied problems by integrating broad-based knowledge, evidence-based reasoning, and informational literacy.
3. Practice experiential, interdisciplinary, and collaborative learning in both academic and co-curricular pursuits.
4. Communicate effectively in oral, written, and digital forms in increasingly complex contexts.
5. Engage in cross-cultural dialogue and experiences with the requisite knowledge to succeed in a diverse, global community.
6. Develop character, integrity, and wisdom as they discern their vocations and prepare to ethically lead and serve church and society.