

Student Learning Outcomes

Introduction

The mission of Pima Community College is to develop our community through learning. Student Learning Outcomes (Learn, Communicate, Innovate, Participate, Aspire) are expectations for students to achieve an understanding of:

- How to apply knowledge and abilities in different contexts for different audiences to include humanity and society, science and technology, and historical awareness. (Communicate, Innovate, Participate)
- What skills are required to include, written/oral communication, information fluency, math competency, scientific inquiry, critical thinking, as well as the ability to self-assess learning and to perform critically and accurately. (Learn, Participate, Aspire)
- The values of the responsibility for learning and the ability and desire to be life-long learners to include aesthetic appreciation, cultural diversity, global knowledge, and intellectual integrity. (Learn, Participate, Aspire)

These Student Learning Outcomes contribute to the improvement of learning, programs, curriculum and instruction.

Student Learning Outcomes as Frameworks for Learning

An outcome is a description of the intended behaviors that document learning has occurred. However, understanding that individual outcomes are integrated among each other and the individual who performs them is key to understanding Student Learning Outcomes. For instance, there can be no effective social outcome or Participation without the ability to Communicate clearly. Distinctions among Student Learning Outcomes are intended to provide a way to organize curriculum, instruction, assessment, and change.



Student Learning Outcomes

The following outcomes identified at Pima Community College as central to our approach to education are:

These Student Learning Outcomes represent the college-level skills, qualities, and attributes a Pima Community College student should acquire for college preparedness, university transfer, certification, and/or employment.

Learn

- ✓ Comprehend
- ✓ Apply Technology
- ✓ Be Self-Aware
- ✓ Apply Numeric Literacy
- ✓ Think Critically
- ✓ Appreciate Historical Perspective

Communicate

- ✓ Write
- ✓ Speak
- ✓ Present
- ✓ Receive

Innovate

- ✓ Think Creatively
- ✓ Be Resourceful
- ✓ Analyze and Interpret

Participate

- ✓ Collaborate
- ✓ Be Responsible
- ✓ Be Good Citizens
- ✓ Develop Leadership Skills
- ✓ Appreciate Cultural & Global Diversity

Aspire

- ✓ Think Independently
- ✓ Set and Achieve Goals
- ✓ Be Ethical

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Learn

- Comprehend Examine, understand, question, and integrate new information.
- Apply Technology Use common and specialized technology safely and effectively.
- Be Self-Aware..... Recognize the effects of selective perception, one's own traits, feelings, beliefs, and behaviors.
- Apply Numeric Literacy..... Acquire, analyze, and use numerical data.
- Think Critically Integrate knowledge to identify and weigh possible responses to a novel situation.
- Appreciate Historical Perspective Understand how history shapes the present and can shape the future.

Communicate

- Write..... Create written communication to convey information and express ideas for particular audiences.
- Speak..... Convey information verbally or in another understandable form.
- Present Deliver a speech, oration, or idea.
- Receive Listen, interpret, evaluate, and/or respond to written, aural, kinesthetic and visual communication.

Innovate

- Think Creatively Demonstrate originality and imagination.
- Be Resourceful..... Act effectively or imaginatively, especially in difficult situations.
- Analyze and Interpret Separate ideas, texts, artistic expression, or data into parts to study interrelationships and articulate an informed response.

Participate

- Collaborate Engage as member of a team.
- Be Responsible Embrace personal responsibility.
- Be Good Citizens..... Understand the rights and responsibilities of participation in a democracy.
- Develop Leadership Skills..... Understand the principles of effective leadership.
- Appreciate Cultural & Global Diversity Appreciate and interact with diverse cultures and peoples.

Aspire

- Think Independently Make decisions based on knowledge and experience.
- Set and Achieve Goals..... Understand what is needed or desired, define the steps to reach it, and work toward achieving a goal.
- Be Ethical..... Make ethical decisions related to personal, family, academic, professional, and community issues.