

Higher Level Learning Outcomes

These four sets of higher level learning outcomes are applicable to ALL courses within the curriculum. Every course should address, at least to some extent, one or more of the five Core Knowledge and Skills. In addition, all courses, no matter what the discipline, should also be addressing some Bible & Theology, Arts & Sciences, and Information Literacy outcomes.

Core Knowledge & Skills: Students will:

1. Demonstrate proficiency in knowing and applying the Scriptures.
2. Demonstrate critical thinking skills and proficiency in acquiring, evaluating, communicating, and applying information.
3. Develop an understanding and appreciation of, and compassion toward cultures of the world.
4. Develop the principles necessary for a biblical worldview resulting in a dynamic understanding of one's role in relation to God, self, and the world.
5. Demonstrate an understanding and application of the knowledge and skills necessary for serving Christ in the Church and Society.

Bible & Theology Outcomes: Students will:

1. Articulate a basic knowledge of Scripture and theology.
2. Apply a valid hermeneutical method of research skills in biblical interpretation.
3. Demonstrate an exegetically sound, biblically informed, historically and culturally sensitive theological method.
4. Appraise differing biblical, theological, cultural, and historical views.
5. Formulate a biblical worldview demonstrated in life and ministry.
6. Exhibit sensitivity to the global community in biblical and theological dialogue.
7. Display a commitment to grow scripturally and theologically.

Arts & Sciences Outcomes: Students will:

1. Communicate effectively using appropriate rhetorical skills that are reflective of God's redemptive purpose.
2. Acquire and critically analyze and evaluate written, oral and visual communication.
3. Critique diverse cultures in light of a biblical worldview.
4. Formulate and apply logical research, including scientific and quantitative reasoning, to support life-long learning.
5. Appraise various cultural contributions of art, music, literature and other humanities to the shaping of human thought.
6. Apply stewardship principles that glorify God through managing one's well-being and resources.
7. Incorporate a technological awareness to facilitate learning and communication.

Information Literacy Outcomes: Students will:

1. Determine the nature and extent of the information needed. (Knows)
2. Accesses needed information effectively and efficiently. (Accesses)
3. Evaluates information and its sources critically and incorporates selected information into his or her knowledge base and value system. (Evaluates)
4. Individually or as a member of a group, uses information effectively to accomplish a specific purpose. (Uses)
5. Understands many of the economic, legal, and social issues surrounding the use of information and accesses and uses information ethically and legally. (Ethical / Legal Issues)