

COMMON CORE INVENTION

ALIGNMENTS: Core SLOs // LEAP Essential Learning Outcomes

Liberal Education and America’s Promise (LEAP) is a national public advocacy and campus action initiative launched by the Association of American Colleges & Universities in 2005. LEAP champions the importance of a liberal education—both for individual students and for a nation dependent on economic creativity and democratic vitality. LEAP responds to contemporary demands for more college-educated workers and more engaged and informed citizens. Here are a few examples of how our SLOs align with LEAP.

LEAP Essential Learning Outcome	SLU Core Student Learning Outcome (SLO) “All SLU graduates will be able to...”
<i>Knowledge of Human Cultures and the Physical and Natural World:</i>	
Through study in the sciences and mathematics, social sciences, humanities, histories, languages, and the arts	SLO 2. Integrate knowledge from multiple disciplines to address complex questions.
<i>Intellectual and Practical Skills, including:</i>	
Inquiry and analysis	SLO 3. Assess evidence and draw reasoned conclusions.
Critical and creative thinking	SLO 2. Integrate knowledge from multiple disciplines to address complex questions.
Written and oral communication	SLO 4. Communicate effectively in writing, speech, and visual media.
Quantitative literacy	SLO 8. Collaborate with others toward a common goal.
Information literacy	
Teamwork and problem solving	
<i>Personal and Social Responsibility, including:</i>	
Civic knowledge and engagement – local and global	SLO 6. Recognize transnational or global interdependence. SLO 9. Apply and acquire knowledge through engagement beyond the University.
Intercultural knowledge and competence	SLO 5. Analyze how diverse identities influence students’ lives and the lives of others.
Ethical reasoning and action	SLO 1. Examine actions and vocations in dialogue with the Catholic, Jesuit tradition. SLO 7. Evaluate the extent to which social systems influence equity and reflect innate human dignity.
Foundations and skills for lifelong learning	SLO 1. Examine actions and vocations in dialogue with the Catholic, Jesuit tradition. SLO 2. Integrate knowledge from multiple disciplines to address complex questions.
<i>Integrative and Applied Learning, including:</i>	
Synthesis and advanced accomplishment across general and specialized studies.	SLO 2. Integrate knowledge from multiple disciplines to address complex questions SLO 9. Apply and acquire knowledge through engagement beyond the University.