

Educational Goals

Intellectual Breadth

The college enlarges understanding and enjoyment of the world through balanced and coherent study of the arts, the humanities, and the natural and social sciences. We are especially concerned that all students achieve a clearer understanding of the Judeo-Christian tradition and of the rationalist and scientific traditions in Western civilization.

Intellectual Depth

The college enables students to master at least one academic discipline. We seek to prepare students for challenging careers and to inspire them to a life of vigorous intellectual inquiry.

Critical Thinking

The college enables students to use the tools of analytical and creative thinking to collect, process and apply knowledge, and to imagine possibilities.

Effective Communication

The college teaches students to listen deliberately, speak persuasively and write clearly, and to engage responsively in artistic expression.

Life in Community

The college promotes personal growth through a community that fosters self-understanding, a healthy life, enduring friendships, community service and respect for others.

Multicultural Understanding

The college advocates an understanding of diverse cultures throughout the nation and the world. We prize the richness that comes from cultural diversity within our community.

Christian Faith

The college encourages students to give serious consideration to making a personal commitment to Christ and the church. This commitment initiates a life of discipleship that extends the values of the Kingdom of God into the world.

Ethical Decision-Making

The college encourages public and personal lives that face ambiguity, embody personal conviction, and courageously combat evil in families, communities, the nation and the world.