



MERRIMACK COLLEGE

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Institutional Learning Outcomes¹

Merrimack College's mission, which is inspired by the Catholic faith and the Augustinian tradition, is to enlighten minds, engage hearts, and empower lives. This mission calls us to engage actively the passion and emotion of our hearts with the discipline provided by intellect and reason. Our shared purpose as a community is to cultivate the intellectual, ethical, spiritual, physical, and personal awareness needed to make wise choices for life, career, and service. We achieve these aspirations through a diverse and integrated curriculum that includes signature learning experiences, scaffolded opportunities for collaborative learning, experiential education, and self-awareness. These goals are manifested through four interconnected and rigorously supported institutional learning outcomes.

Merrimack College graduates are able to demonstrate:

- *Intellectual Capacity*: An ability to acquire, critique, create, and share knowledge as a community of scholars through multiple methods of investigation and analysis, following the Augustinian tradition of seeking truth through inquiry and dialogue.
- *Personal and Social Values*: An ability to examine, articulate, and situate one's own values and experiences in relation to a diversity of values and experiences across religious -- including the Augustinian tradition -- social, historical, cultural, and institutional contexts.
- *Civic-Mindedness and Service*: An ability to apply and integrate knowledge to find solutions for social, civic and scientific problems in local, national, and global communities in the service of peace and justice for the common good.
- *Reflective Practice*: An ability to engage in and evaluate applied experiences through guided reflection in the service of developing self-awareness and professional formation.

¹ Based on Motion 17-18-04 approved by the Faculty Senate on 28 November 2017 and signed by President Hopey on 19 April 2018.