

SUNY Cortland College Catalog – General Education

Item: General Education Section of the College Catalog

Rational: Revision of Student Learning Outcomes for the GE 4 Category

The GE 4 Subcommittee met during the fall and spring 2015-2016 academic year to consider any revisions or updates to the category’s student learning outcomes. Through a series of conversations and with consultation from GE 4 faculty, the subcommittee proposes the following:

1. Reduce the existing four SLOs to three
2. Combine existing SLOs 2 and 4 into a new SLO 2

Rationale: Both the current SLO 2 and 4 addressed the role of “institutions” or “mediating institutions” in affecting various groups (SLO 2) or the state and civil society (SLO 4). We did not see a compelling reason to treat these as separate learning outcomes given the overlap between them.

Note: for revisions, changes are indicated in bold; deletions are noted by strike out

Current	Revised
<p>Category 4: United States History and Society</p> <p>The goal of this category is to familiarize students with the history and nature of the American state and society by examining relationships within and among the elements of that state and society, including governing structures or policies, formal and informal institutions, and the public.</p> <p>Learning Outcomes</p> <p>Students will demonstrate</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. knowledge of a basic narrative of American history, such as political, economic, social and cultural, including knowledge of unity and diversity in American society; 2. an understanding of common institutions in American society and how they have affected different groups, including ethnic minorities and women; 	<p>Category 4: United States History and Society</p> <p>The goal of this category is to familiarize students with the history and nature of the American state and society by examining relationships within and among the elements of that state and society, including governing structures or policies, formal and informal institutions, and the public.</p> <p>Learning Outcomes</p> <p>Students will demonstrate</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. knowledge of a basic narrative of American history, such as political, economic, social and cultural, including knowledge of unity and diversity in American society; 2. an understanding of state and mediating institutions in American society and how they have affected different groups including ethnic

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