

**East Los Angeles College  
Student Learning Outcomes  
Core Competencies**

**Students who have completed their designated coursework at East Los Angeles College should expect to have gained competency in the following areas:**

**I. Academic Skills**

*1) Critical Thought*

- a)** Analyze and synthesize information
- b)** Differentiate facts from opinion
- c)** Draw reasoned conclusions

*2) Communication*

- a)** Listen critically in order to receive, interpret and respond to verbal information
- b)** Speak coherently and appropriately for various audiences and situations
- c)** Read with understanding
- d)** Present ideas and information effectively for specific purposes through written statements

*3) Quantifiable Reasoning*

- a)** Compute and organize data effectively
- b)** Use basic mathematical and graphical techniques to evaluate and present information

*4) Information Competency and Research*

- a)** Recognize and articulate the need for information
- b)** Find data effectively and efficiently in a variety of sources
- c)** Practice legal and ethical behaviors when accessing and communicating information

*5) Technological Literacy and Management*

- a)** Identify various computer hardware systems and their basic functions
- b)** Utilize an operating system effectively and produce documents using generic office programs such as word processing, spreadsheet and presentation software
- c)** Use the Internet to communicate effectively through e-mail and other communication tools

**II. Personal Growth and Enrichment**

*1) Civic Engagement*

- a)** Demonstrate an understanding of the importance of civic activism through historic and current examples

- b)** Take responsibility to serve others in the community
- c)** Participate knowledgeably in the democratic process

**2) *Ethical and Moral Development***

- a)** Develop a sense of ethical decision making and accept responsibility for one's own actions
- b)** Accept responsibility for maintaining appropriate behavior in an academic setting and a mental attitude conducive to learning
- c)** Develop and evaluate life goals

**3) *Enrichment of Life***

- a)** Appreciate diverse creativity in art, dance, music, theatre, and literature
- b)** Enjoy the stimulation resulting from intellectual curiosity and the acquisition of knowledge
- c)** Manage time and resources effectively
- d)** Develop leadership skills

**III. Cultural and Global Awareness**

**1) *Cultural Respect and Tolerance***

- a)** Respect individual racial, ethnic, gender, and sexual orientation differences, and those with physical, mental and emotional disabilities
- b)** Practice tolerance toward individuals from different religions, cultures and traditions, and those who express differing political views

**2) *Global Awareness***

- a)** Understand the necessity of sustaining a healthy global environment
- b)** Strive to become enlightened world citizens and recognize the challenges of global competitiveness