

Alfred University General Education Goals

Alfred University endorses the American Association of Colleges and Universities initiative, “Liberal Education & America’s Promise” (LEAP).¹ Our university general education goals are built on this framework. Graduates of Alfred University will:

- acquire knowledge about human cultures, the arts and humanities, and the physical and natural worlds
- frame important questions and evaluate relevant information
- produce, analyze and interpret data quantitatively
- understand the interconnectedness of self, community and planet with an awareness of ethical implications
- communicate proficiently in writing, orally and using interpretive and expressive forms
- contribute effectively on diverse teams
- acquire information and utilize contemporary tools expected of their discipline
- demonstrate the integration of multiple areas of knowledge, diverse perspectives, and relevant skills

These AU general education goals [align with learning outcomes within each college/school](#) and are accomplished through a network of curricula that embrace the University mission and values while preserving the distinctiveness of each program.

- ❖ The [College of Liberal Arts and Sciences](#) curricula addresses the university general education goals through both a breadth of study and the depth offered in the majors.
- ❖ The [College of Professional Studies](#) foster general education outcomes through both a strong liberal arts foundation and contemporary, innovative courses that prepare students for professional careers.
- ❖ The [Inamori School of Engineering](#) embeds university general education goals in its inquiry-based programs to prepare technically proficient and broadly educated engineers and scientists.
- ❖ The [School of Art and Design](#) incorporates university general education goals throughout its multi-disciplinary curriculum that cultivates creative and scholarly research in art.

The goals are further supported through the University Libraries and Student Affairs programming.

Through meeting these common general education goals, all Alfred University students develop social responsibility and the ability to use intellectual, practical and creative skills in problem solving. AU graduates are well-educated, independent thinkers prepared for a rapidly changing world and lives of continuous intellectual and personal growth.

¹ <https://www.aacu.org/leap>