

GUIDELINES FOR ADDRESSING THE LIBERAL ARTS TRADITION IN FORM A

Fundamentally, a liberal arts education is designed to promote the ability to think, write, and speak clearly; to reason critically; to solve complex problems; to work collaboratively across differences; and to acquire the judgment, analytic capacity, and independence of thought necessary to support lifelong learning and engaged citizenship.

To demonstrate your contribution and commitment to the liberal arts tradition of the College, what evidence can you put forward to demonstrate effectiveness in activities such as the following?

- Developing students' critical thinking, analytic reasoning, problem-solving, and communication skills.
- Teaching students to engage in the process of inquiry itself, e.g., by learning how to frame meaningful questions; how to discover, evaluate and analyze various sources of information; and how to draw relevant conclusions and present persuasive arguments based upon that analysis.
- Promoting an appreciation for different ways of knowing as well as for different points of view.
- Engaging in shared inquiry, i.e., learning activities or scholarly investigations performed in collaboration with others.

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