General Studies Program Goals:

In addition to the ILO'S, the Arts and Sciences division has also developed Program Learning Outcomes (PLO's) that are very specific to the general education program and degrees offered within that division. Those 5 goals are:

1. Oral & Written Communication

• Develop an organized written or oral response with a thesis (focus), detailed support, and concluding information, responding to a prompt or choice of topics, while demonstrating standard grammar, usage, and mechanics.

2. Fine Arts Appreciation

• Demonstrate appreciation of theatre, music, and the visual arts, using critical thinking, problem-solving, and communication with others.

3. Logical Reasoning

• Demonstrate the ability to acquire, apply, and synthesize knowledge while developing critical thinking, problem-solving, and research skills.

4. Social and Behavioral Sciences

- Students will meet this competency through the completion of PLOs 4a and/or 4b.
 - 4a: Identify and analyze present and historical factors which shape the development of individuals, communities, cultures, and societies, as well as, the range of methods used within the social sciences.
 - 4b: Identify and analyze key dimensions of behavior, the multiple interacting forces that influence behavior, and the processes used by social scientists to describe, explain, and predict behavior.

5. Health and Wellness

 Demonstrate a fundamental knowledge of exercise physiology, wellness principles, food chemistry/nutrition, and physical activity skills related to personal health and fitness.