

# TACOMA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

# DEGREE LEARNING OUTCOMES

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TCC has a responsibility to the larger community to guide its students toward becoming thoughtful, flexible, contributing citizens. We try to foster in students an appreciation for a broad education and an awareness that the degree they earn here is not the end of their learning, but a beginning. TCC encourages its students and graduates to be intellectually curious and creative, to develop respect for themselves, other people, and the natural world, and to learn to draw on their intellectual and emotional resources to adapt to change. These qualities and abilities must be learned and practiced continuously beyond TCC in communities, workplaces, and other institutions of higher learning. At TCC, we value this on-going learning, and we take seriously our role in nurturing it.

While students attend TCC, we hold ourselves accountable both to them and to the wider community for the following Degree-related Learning Outcomes:

**Upon completing a degree at Tacoma Community College, students will...**

#### **Core of Knowledge (COK)**

Demonstrate a basic knowledge of each of the distribution areas (Written Communication, Humanities, Quantitative Skills, Natural Sciences and Social Sciences )and integrate knowledge across disciplines for application in further academic, occupational, civic and personal contexts.

#### **Communication (COM)**

Listen, speak, read, write and use nonverbal and technological means to make connections between self and others.

#### **Critical Thinking and Problem Solving (CRT)**

Compare, analyze, and evaluate information and ideas.

#### **Information and Information Technology (IIT)**

Locate, evaluate, retrieve and ethically use relevant information of appropriate authority and currency for both academic and personal applications.

#### **Living and Working Cooperatively/Valuing Differences (LWC)**

Be open to diverse points of view, and draw upon the knowledge and experience of others to collaborate in a multicultural world.

#### **Responsibility & Ethics (RES)**

Behave responsibly and ethically toward individuals, the community and the environment.