Learning Outcomes for the degree of Bachelors of Arts in Liberal Arts & Sciences Major in English

1. Capacity to understand, analyze, and interpret ‘texts’, broadly construed, through a variety of methods including close reading.
2. Capacity to understand literature and literary history in relation to historical, theoretical, aesthetic, and political contexts.
3. Ability to craft rigorous and well-supported arguments that demonstrate an awareness of audience (skills associated with the research paper).
4. Literacy, including clarity of written expression and the capacity to evaluate external sources.
5. Awareness of the ways in which forms of difference, including racial, ethnic, gender, and sexual difference, inform the production and reception of literature.