#### **GENERAL EDUCATION CLASS**

Broward College values and supports a well-rounded learning experience that empowers students to thrive personally and professionally in diverse communities. Through our general education framework, students acquire and apply knowledge across a wide range of disciplines, thereby expanding their capacity to appreciate, think critically about, and respond to a variety of perspectives and situations.

As a General Education Class, this course will provide you with opportunities to address several of the following Broward College General Education Competencies and associated learning outcomes:

## CRITICAL THINKING

Critical thinking is the ability to evaluate information by examining and questioning assumptions, accepting or rejecting claims, or applying logical reasoning.

- Explain questions, problems and/or issues.
- Analyze and interpret relevant information.
- Evaluate information to determine potential conclusions.
- Generate a well-reasoned conclusion.

## **EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION**

Effective communication is the ability to process and exchange ideas and information through verbal, nonverbal, and written means in a clear and understandable manner.

- Communicate with clear language, tone, and voice.
- Provide clear main ideas with organized support.
- Demonstrate audience awareness and engagement.
- Apply non-verbal communication techniques.
- Demonstrate usage of appropriate notation and contextual translation.

#### **ETHICAL REASONING**

Ethical reasoning is the ability to analyze and evaluate moral issues involving how people should treat themselves, others, and their environment.

- Explain an ethical issue and the extent of its human or environmental impact.
- Evaluate different moral perspectives or concepts.

#### **GLOBAL AWARENESS**

Global awareness is the ability to understand diverse cultures, traditions, and worldviews.

- Demonstrate appreciation for individual and cultural differences, and reasons for inclusion.
- Explain how people, as individuals and in society, may affect other persons, cultures, animals, or the environment.
- Explain two or more different ideologies or perspectives.
- Identify the value and significance of artistic, religious, or intellectual expression in various cultures.
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## INFORMATION LITERACY

Information literacy is the ability to find, retrieve, analyze, and use information.

- Locate and select appropriate resources.
- Use and integrate sources that match research need.
- Incorporate sources with proper formatting and attribution.

# MATHEMATICAL AND SCIENTIFIC REASONING

Mathematical and scientific reasoning is the ability to apply scientific or mathematical processes to explore natural phenomena, determine and evaluate relationships, solve problems, and make effective decisions.

- Apply a deductive or inductive approach to inquiry.
- Develop solutions or reach conclusions by applying appropriate problem-solving methods.
- Generate or interpret graphs or charts to model data and understand relationships.
- Construct answers to applied problems using quantitative or qualitative reasoning skills.

General education courses are grouped into six categories. The categories focus on particular competencies, though it is likely that nearly all of the competencies are addressed in most general education courses. Here is the official alignment:

General Education Area	Competencies in Focus

Communication	Critical Thinking, Effective Communication, Information Literacy
Humanities	Critical Thinking, Ethical Reasoning, Global Awareness
Social / Behavioral Sciences	Critical Thinking, Global Awareness, Information Literacy
Science	Critical Thinking, Ethical Reasoning, Mathematical and Scientific Reasoning
Mathematics	Critical Thinking, Effective Communication, Mathematical and Scientific Reasoning
Additional Gen Ed Options	Critical Thinking, and two additional competencies indicated on the course outline