

COMMON CORE INVENTION

ALIGNMENTS: Core SLOs // SLU Strategic Plan

The creation of a common core at SLU will reimagine the undergraduate intellectual experience to prepare students to be intellectually flexible, imaginative, and reflective critical thinkers in the spirit of the Catholic-Jesuit tradition. Such a common core embraces SLU's commitment to educating the whole person with a well-integrated undergraduate education that transform SLU's approach to Jesuit education for the 21st century. Here are a few examples of how our SLOs align. [<https://www.slu.edu/strategic-plan/initiative-goals.php>]

SLU Strategic Planning Initiatives	SLU Core Student Learning Outcome (SLOs) "All SLU graduates will be able to..."
<p>Initiative One: Being a National Exemplar of Transformative Educational and Research Excellence Our Jesuit heritage tells us that true academic excellence is best achieved when research-active faculty lead students in transformative learning experiences. SLU prepares graduates who are critical thinkers committed to responsible social action by nurturing groundbreaking faculty research and scholarship.</p>	<p>SLO 1. Examine actions and vocations in dialogue with the Catholic, Jesuit tradition. SLO 2. Integrate knowledge from multiple disciplines to address complex questions. SLO 3. Assess evidence and draw reasoned conclusions. SLO 7. Evaluate the extent to which social systems influence equity and reflect innate human dignity. SLO 8. Collaborate with others toward a common goal.</p>
<p>Initiative Two: Being a Market Leader in Health Promotion and the Highest Quality Medical Care No other provider of health care in St. Louis brings the Catholic and Jesuit values of competence, conscience, compassion, and commitment to its daily work.</p>	<p>SLO 1. Examine actions and vocations in dialogue with the Catholic, Jesuit tradition. SLO 7. Evaluate the extent to which social systems influence equity and reflect innate human dignity.</p>
<p>Initiative Three: Being a Leading Catalyst for Groundbreaking Change in the Region, Nation, World Saint Louis University—with campuses in St. Louis and Madrid—is in constant interaction with its regional and global communities, instilling a spirit of mutual cooperation and helping, through collaboration, to foster constructive resolutions to regional, national, and international issues.</p>	<p>SLO 4. Communicate effectively in writing, speech, and visual media. SLO 6. Recognize transnational or global interdependence. SLO 9. Apply and acquire knowledge through engagement beyond the University.</p>
<p>Initiative Four: Being an Innovator and Entrepreneur in All That We Do SLU strives to challenge assumptions, reframe problems and advance trendsetting methods. Our commitment to innovative systems of instructional design and program delivery as well as to socially responsible entrepreneurship expands SLU's reach on behalf of the institution, the SLU community, and humanity.</p>	<p>SLO 2. Integrate knowledge from multiple disciplines to address complex questions. SLO 4. Communicate effectively in writing, speech, and visual media.</p>
<p>Initiative Five: Fostering a Culture of Excellence Rooted in Our Institutional Mission and Catholic, Jesuit Values Mission matters—in everything we do. SLU is committed to becoming the campus community our mission calls us to be—open and participative in decision-making, fair and ethical in how we treat one another, respectful of the environment that surrounds us, and careful in our stewardship of the resources provided to do our work.</p>	<p>SLO 1. Examine actions and vocations in dialogue with the Catholic, Jesuit tradition. SLO 5. Analyze how diverse identities influence students' lives and the lives of others. SLO 7. Evaluate the extent to which social systems influence equity and reflect innate human dignity.</p>