

Graduate Program Learning Outcomes

Graduate Students at Cal State LA will be able to:

1. Articulate the major theories, research methods, and approaches to inquiry and schools of practice in the field of study.
2. Investigate how the field of study has developed in relation to other major domains of inquiry and practice; and assess the implications of the resulting advantages, challenges, and trends in a social or global context.
3. Find and evaluate academic sources in order to engage in complex decision-making and research in the field of study.
4. Critique and synthesize the assumptions, conventions, and diverse perspectives appropriate to the field of study.
5. Frame and examine a controversy or problem through research, projects, papers, exhibits, or performances in the field of study.
6. Apply, articulate, and challenge traditions, assumptions, or prevailing practices in the field of study using ethical reasoning in the discipline.
7. Critically examine the power and limitations of quantitative and qualitative evidence in the evaluation, construction, and communication of arguments, in their field of study.
8. Demonstrate communicative fluency appropriate to their field of study through skillful translation across multiple expressive modes, such as oral, written, or digital forms of communication.
9. Articulate or demonstrate how advancing knowledge in their field of study contributes to the public good.