

MIRACOSTA COLLEGE

CORE COMPETENCIES

Knowledge of Human Cultures and the Physical and Natural World

- Attained through general education and major study in the sciences and mathematics, social and behavioral sciences, humanities, histories, languages, and the arts

Informed by awareness of global issues and trends, focused by engagement with big questions, both contemporary and enduring

Intellectual and Practical Skills, including

- Inquiry, analysis and independent thinking
- Critical and creative thinking
- Quantitative literacy and problem solving
- Information literacy
- Written and oral communication skills
- Integration of knowledge

Practiced extensively across the curriculum in the context of progressively more challenging problems, projects, and standards for performance

Personal and Social Responsibility and Efficacy, including

- Civic knowledge and engagement—local and global
- Intercultural competence and respect for diverse perspectives
- Teamwork and collaborative skills
- Ethical reasoning and action
- Goal-setting / project-planning and completion
- Skills for ongoing personal, academic, and professional growth

Anchored in applied learning through active involvement with real world challenges and diverse environmental, workplace, cultural, and community contexts

