

# Essential Studies

Mapping Workshop

**Oregon** **TECH**

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# Mapping Workshop

1. Summary of the review
2. Working model
3. Mapping exercise



# Expected outcomes of the review

- 1 A rationale for general education requirements
- 2 Recommendations regarding general education requirements and/or ISLOs for clear alignment
- 3 Recommended structure for an ongoing review process
- 4 Support during implementation of general education requirements and/or review process
- 5 Recommendations for institution-wide support of general education goals

Oregon Tech's Essential Studies program has been designed to help students

- Integrate knowledge and skills
- Make connections
- Become lifelong learners
- Prepare for personal, professional and civic lives

# Nearly all employers

91%

“agree that for career success, a candidate’s demonstrated capacity to **think critically, communicate clearly, and solve complex problems** is more important than his or her undergraduate major.”

96%

“agree that all college students should have experiences that teach them how to **solve problems with people whose views are different from their own.**”

90%

“give hiring preference to college graduates with skills that enable them to contribute to **innovation in the workplace.**”

# Identified problems

- á la carte menu
- lack of clarity and intentionality between institutional outcomes and the curriculum

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- Fail to see relevance of GE courses

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- GE curriculum not vertically connected



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- Reinforcement of writing not intentional

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- Weak inquiry and analysis skills

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- Varying expectations for Math Knowledge and Skills

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- Ethical Reasoning not addressed consistently in curricula

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- No consistent requirement for teamwork foundational skills

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- Distribution requirements, while flexible, are taken haphazardly

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- Students siloed in majors



# Current General Education Model

Year					
4 <sup>th</sup> Year	Global and cultural awareness recommendation				
3 <sup>rd</sup> Year					
2 <sup>nd</sup> Year	Communication <b>18</b> SPE111 WRI121 WRI122	Science/ Mathematics <b>16</b>	Humanities <b>9</b>	Social Science <b>12</b>	36 M/S 45 M/S/SS
1 <sup>st</sup> Year					Our current method of integration

# Essential Studies Conceptual Model



Communication



Inquiry &  
Analysis



Ethical  
Reasoning



Teamwork



Quantitative  
Literacy



Diverse  
Perspectives

Capstone

Practice

Foundation

# The Essential Studies program

- provides experiences to support ESLOs
- ensures ESLOs will be practiced and integrated at increasingly more challenging levels
- prepares students for the changing nature of knowledge, even in their own fields
- prepares all students for their personal, civic, and professional lives
- asks that students explore connections among different disciplines

**Essential Studies Mapping - Program:** \_\_\_\_\_

<p align="center"><b>Capstone</b></p>	<p align="center"><b>Capstone Experience</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- ensures that the ESLOs are demonstrated at the highest proficiency expected of Oregon Tech students before they graduate</li> <li>- builds on practice-level skills</li> <li>- can consist of more than one course or activity</li> <li>- is identified by the major program</li> </ul> <p>Course(s) or experience(s): _____</p>								
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	<p>Program-integrated 1: _____</p>	<p align="center">Program-integrated 1: _____</p>			<p>Program-integrated 1: _____</p>	<p>Program-integrated 1: _____</p>	<p>Program-integrated 1: _____</p>	<p>Program-integrated 1: _____</p>	
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<p align="center"><b>Foundation</b></p> <p>Programs/students choose from a select group of foundation courses that</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- provide foundational knowledge and skills in each of Oregon Tech's six ESLOs</li> <li>- satisfy established ESLO criteria</li> <li>- are taught by content experts</li> </ul>	<p><b>WRI 122 (3 cr)</b></p>	<p>3 cr: _____</p> <p><i>Could be PHIL 185 or another course selected from the IR-HUM Foundation list. Selected by the student or program.</i></p>	<p>3 cr: _____</p> <p><i>Select from a list of approved Foundational IR-SS</i></p>	<p>4 cr: _____</p> <p><i>Laboratory-based science courses selected by the student or program.</i></p>	<p><b>PHIL 185 (3 cr)</b></p> <p><i>Philosophy courses selected by the student or program.</i></p>	<p><b>SPE 221 (3 cr)</b></p> <p><i>Small Group and Team: currently listed as SPE 321</i></p>	<p><b>Money, World, Power (2 cr)</b></p> <p><i>Proposed as a new course to address the personal and civic components of Quantitative Literacy.</i></p>	<p>3 cr: _____</p> <p><i>Student program can select from a list of courses meeting the criteria for a Diverse Perspective Foundation course. Prerequisite for double dip with IR-HUM or IR-SS Foundation course.</i></p>	
	<p><b>WRI121 (3 cr)</b></p>	<p>3 cr: _____</p> <p><i>Could be PHIL 185 or another course selected from the IR-HUM Foundation list. Selected by the student or program.</i></p>	<p>3 cr: _____</p> <p><i>Select from a list of approved Foundational IR-SS</i></p>	<p>4 cr: _____</p> <p><i>Laboratory-based science courses selected by the student or program.</i></p>	<p><b>PHIL 185 (3 cr)</b></p> <p><i>Philosophy courses selected by the student or program.</i></p>	<p><b>SPE 221 (3 cr)</b></p> <p><i>Small Group and Team: currently listed as SPE 321</i></p>	<p><b>4 cr: MATH</b></p> <p><i>College-level mathematics course for which at least intermediate algebra is the major prerequisite to address the professional component of Quantitative Literacy.</i></p>	<p>3 cr: _____</p> <p><i>Student program can select from a list of courses meeting the criteria for a Diverse Perspective Foundation course. Prerequisite for double dip with IR-HUM or IR-SS Foundation course.</i></p>	
	<p><b>SPE111 (3 cr)</b></p>	<p>3 cr: _____</p> <p><i>Could be PHIL 185 or another course selected from the IR-HUM Foundation list. Selected by the student or program.</i></p>	<p>3 cr: _____</p> <p><i>Select from a list of approved Foundational IR-SS</i></p>	<p>4 cr: _____</p> <p><i>Laboratory-based science courses selected by the student or program.</i></p>	<p><b>PHIL 185 (3 cr)</b></p> <p><i>Philosophy courses selected by the student or program.</i></p>	<p><b>SPE 221 (3 cr)</b></p> <p><i>Small Group and Team: currently listed as SPE 321</i></p>	<p><b>4 cr: MATH</b></p> <p><i>College-level mathematics course for which at least intermediate algebra is the major prerequisite to address the professional component of Quantitative Literacy.</i></p>	<p>3 cr: _____</p> <p><i>Student program can select from a list of courses meeting the criteria for a Diverse Perspective Foundation course. Prerequisite for double dip with IR-HUM or IR-SS Foundation course.</i></p>	
<p align="center"><b>Essential Studies Required Curricular Elements</b></p>	<p>Communication</p>	<p>Humanities</p>	<p>Social Sciences</p>	<p>Natural Sciences</p>	<p>Ethical Reasoning</p>	<p>Teamwork</p>	<p>Quantitative Literacy</p>	<p>Diverse Perspectives</p>	<p align="center"><b>Growth &amp; Exploration</b></p>

# Essential Studies proposed solution

- á la carte menu
- lack of clarity and intentionality between institutional outcomes and the curriculum

- Coherent curriculum defined by ESLOs with clear pathways
- Connections from Foundation to Capstone
- Integrated into major and synthesis in the ESSE and Capstone

# Essential Studies proposed solution

- Outcomes not clear to students
- Fail to see relevance of GE courses

- Requirements identify ESLOs and curricular pathways
- GE and major complementary
- Major programs place greater value on GE

# Essential Studies proposed solution

- GE curriculum not vertically connected

- Curriculum builds from Foundation to Capstone
- Depth outside the major in practice level courses

# Essential Studies proposed solution

- Diverse Perspectives is not a GE requirement

- Diverse Perspectives Foundation course and pathway



# Essential Studies proposed solution

- Reinforcement of writing not intentional

- Writing continues from Foundation to Capstone

# Essential Studies proposed solution

- Weak inquiry and analysis skills

- Inquiry and Analysis courses and pathway
- Essential Studies Synthesis Experience

# Essential Studies proposed solution

- Varying expectations for Math Knowledge and Skills

- Money, World, Power addresses personal and civic
- Professional defined by the program

# Essential Studies proposed solution

- Varying expectations for Math Knowledge and Skills

- PHIL 105 introduces foundational theories
- Program-Integrated courses address professional ethics

# Essential Studies proposed solution

- No consistent requirement for teamwork foundational skills

- SPE 221 Foundation course
- Followed by practice in the discipline and the ESSE

# Essential Studies proposed solution

- Distribution requirements, while flexible, are taken haphazardly
- Multi-year paths for ESLO development

# Essential Studies proposed solution

- Students siloed in majors

- ESSE co-curricular experience focusing on collaborative problem solving

## Essential Studies Mapping - Program: **Radiologic Science**

<b>Capstone</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Capstone Experience</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- ensure that the ESLOr are demonstrated at the highest proficiency expected of Oregon Tech students before they graduate</li> <li>- build on practice-level skills</li> <li>- can consist of more than one course or activity</li> <li>- is identified by the major program</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;">Course(s) or experience(s): <b>RDSC 410 Radiologic Science Externship</b></p>							<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Growth and Exploration</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Electives 3 cr elec 3 cr elec 1 cr elec</p>	
<b>Practice</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Essential Studies Synthesis Experience - 3 credits</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">A cross-disciplinary experience that</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- provides a practice-level synthesis of all of the ESLOr</li> <li>- is the trademark of the Essential Studies program</li> <li>- is a mid-level seminar</li> <li>- offers faculty from any discipline an innovative and collaborative opportunity</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;">Approved seminars must allow for cross-disciplinary enrollment, demonstrate synthesis of the six ESLOr, and meet the established criteria.</p>								
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<b>Foundation</b>	<p><b>WRI 122 (3 cr)</b></p> <p><b>WRI 121 (3 cr)</b></p> <p><b>SPE 111 (3 cr)</b></p>	<p>3 cr: <b>PHIL 105</b></p> <p>Could be PHIL 105 or another course selected from the IA-NUM Foundation list</p> <p>Selected by the student or program</p>	<p>3 cr: <b>PSY 20X</b></p> <p>Selected from a list of approved Foundational IA-SS</p>	<p>4 cr: <b>CHEM 101/04</b></p> <p>Laboratory based science course selected by the student or program</p>	<p><b>PHIL 105 (3 cr)</b></p> <p>Selected by the student or program</p>	<p><b>SPE 221 (3 cr)</b></p> <p>Small Group and Team; normally listed as SPE 321</p>	<p><b>Money, World, Power (2 cr)</b></p> <p>Prepared as a core course to address the personal and civic components of Quantitative Literacy</p> <p>4 cr: <b>MATH 111</b></p> <p>College-level mathematics course for which at least intermediate algebra is the course prerequisite to address the professional component of Quantitative Literacy</p>		<p>3 cr: <b>PSY 20X</b></p> <p>Students/programs select from a list of courses meeting the criteria for a Diverse Perspective Foundation course. Potential for double dip with IA-NUM or IA-SS Foundation course</p>
<b>Essential Studies Required Curricular Elements</b>	<b>Communication</b>	<b>Humanities</b>	<b>Social Science</b>	<b>Natural Science</b>	<b>Ethical Reasoning</b>	<b>Teamwork</b>	<b>Quantitative Literacy</b>	<b>Diverse Perspectives</b>	<b>Growth &amp; Exploration</b>



# Example Mapping—Radiologic Science

CURRENT PROGRAM MAP				POTENTIAL PROGRAM MAP SATISFYING ESSENTIAL STUDIES													
Program: Radiologic Science				Program: Radiologic Science													
Freshman Year		Fall		Junior Year		Fall		Freshman Year		Fall		Junior Year		Fall			
BIO 231	Human Anatomy and Physiology I	4		BIO 336	Essentials of Pathophysiology	3		BIO 231	Human Anatomy and Physiology I	4		BIO 336	Essentials of Pathophysiology	3			
CHE 101	Introduction to Elementary Chemistry	3		RDSC 30	Radiographic Positioning III	4		CHE 101	Introduction to Elementary Chemistry	3		RDSC 30	Radiographic Positioning III	4			
CHE 104	Intro. to Elementary Chemistry Lab	1		RDSC 32	Surgical, Trauma and Mobile Radiograph	4		CHE 104	Intro. to Elementary Chemistry Lab	1		RDSC 32	Surgical, Trauma and Mobile Radiograph	4			
MATH 111	College Algebra	4		RDSC 35	Computed Tomography	4		MATH 111	College Algebra	4		RDSC 35	Computed Tomography	4			
MIT103	Introduction to Medical Imaging	3						MIT103	Introduction to Medical Imaging	3							
		15				15				15				16			
Freshman Year		Winter		Junior Year		Winter		Freshman Year		Winter		Junior Year		Winter			
BIO 233	Human Anatomy and Physiology II	4		RDSC 35	Magnetic Resonance	4		BIO 233	Human Anatomy and Physiology II	4		RDSC 35	Magnetic Resonance	4			
MATH 112	Trigonometry	4		SPE 321	Small Group and Team Communication	3		MATH 112	Trigonometry	4			WRICOM/SPE Elective	3			
WRI 121	English Composition	3		WRI 227	Technical Report Writing	3		WRI 121	English Composition	3			WRI Course--Case Studies	3			
	Humanities Elective	3			Business Elective (BUS 316, 317, or 313)	3			Growth & Exploration Elective	3			Business Elective (BUS 316, 317, or 313)	3			
	Social Science Elective	3			Humanities elective	3			Money, World, Power	2			IA-HUM Required Practice	3			
		17				16				16				16			
Freshman Year		Spring		Junior Year		Spring		Freshman Year		Spring		Junior Year		Spring			
BIO 200	Medical Terminology	2		RDSC 32	Cardiovascular/Interventional Technology	4		BIO 200	Medical Terminology	2		RDSC 32	Cardiovascular/Interventional Technology	4			
BIO 233	Human Anatomy and Physiology III	4		RDSC 35	Mammography			BIO 233	Human Anatomy and Physiology III	4		RDSC 35	Mammography or				
SPE 111	Public Speaking	3			or			BIO 233	Human Anatomy and Physiology III	4		RDSC 36	Advanced Quality Assurance/Quality Control	4			
WRI 122	Argumentative Writing	3		RDSC 36	Advanced Quality Assurance/Quality Control	4		SPE 111	Public Speaking	3			Essential Studies Synthesis Experience	3			
PSY 201	Psychology (201, 202, or 203)	3		RDSC 38	Externship Orientation	2		WRI 122	Argumentative Writing	3		RDSC 38	Externship Orientation	2			
		15			Social Science elective	3		PSY 201	Psychology (201, 202, or 203)	3			IA-SS Required Practice	3			
						13				15				16			
Sophomore Year		Fall		Senior Year		Summer		Sophomore Year		Fall		Senior Year		Summer			
PHY 217	Physics of Medical Imaging	3		RDSC 41	Radiologic Science Externship	15		PHY 217	Physics of Medical Imaging	3		RDSC 41	Radiologic Science Externship	15			
RDSC 20	Imaging Techniques I	4						RDSC 20	Imaging Techniques I	4							
RDSC 23	Equipment Operation and Maintenance	3						RDSC 23	Equipment Operation and Maintenance	3							
	Communication elective	3				15			SPE 221 Small Group and Team Communication	3				15			
	Humanities elective	3							PHIL 105	Introduction to Ethics	3						
		16								16							
Sophomore Year		Winter		Senior Year		Fall		Sophomore Year		Winter		Senior Year		Fall			
RDSC 20	Imaging Techniques II	4		RDSC 41	Radiologic Science Externship	15		RDSC 20	Imaging Techniques II	4		RDSC 41	Radiologic Science Externship	15			
RDSC 20	Patient Care	4						RDSC 20	Patient Care	4							
RDSC 21	Radiographic Positioning I	4						RDSC 21	Radiographic Positioning I	4							
RDSC 36	Radiographic Pathology	3						RDSC 36	Radiographic Pathology	3							
		15								15							
Sophomore Year		Spring		Senior Year		Spring		Sophomore Year		Spring		Senior Year		Spring			
BIO 335	Cross-Sectional Anatomy	3		RDSC 41	Radiologic Science Externship	15		BIO 335	Cross-Sectional Anatomy	3		RDSC 41	Radiologic Science Externship	15			
RDSC 21	Radiographic Positioning II	4						RDSC 21	Radiographic Positioning II	4							
RDSC 23	Contrast Media Procedures	4						RDSC 23	Contrast Media Procedures	4							
RDSC 27	Radiation Protection	3						RDSC 27	Radiation Protection	3							
	Social Science elective	3				15			Growth & Exploration Elective	3					15		
		17								17							
				Total				199					Total				202

# Your turn

1. How does your current curriculum fit the new model
2. Proposed new program curriculum map
3. Your insights and feedback



# Follow up

1. Complete maps with program faculty input and submit to GERTF
2. Schedule a department meeting with GERTF to provide feedback

