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As a result my mind has never received that polish which for instance Oxford or Cambridge gives. At these places one studies questions and sciences with a rather higher object than more practical utility. One receives in fact a liberal education.
- Sir Winston Churchill

The reason for getting an education...is that it is better to be educated than not to be. It is better in and of itself. Not because it gets you something. Not because it is a means to some other end. It is better because it is better.
- Dr. Andrew Abbott, Gustavus F. and Ann M. Swift Distinguished Service Professor of Sociology, University of Chicago

WHAT DO YOU DO WITH A LIBERAL EDUCATION?

The General Education Curriculum at UNCG is intended to give students a broad foundation in the liberal arts and to provide them with the foundational skills necessary for success during not only their undergraduate careers but also their life after they leave our campus. UNCG is committed to graduating well-rounded global citizens with the capacity for life-long learning, and the General Education Curriculum is the foundation of this commitment. (adapted from the GEC Mission Statement)

In short, General Education at UNCG is:
- An opportunity to provide our students with foundational skills necessary for success in their major
- An opportunity to help our students reach their potential as lifelong learners
- A chance to do something altogether bigger all together

General Education at UNCG is NOT:
- A checklist of additional requirements designed to make it harder for students to graduate
- Something mandated by The Powers That Be to punish the Faculty
- Somebody else’s responsibility

A successful General Education Curriculum requires dedicated, involved faculty. As a enthusiastic member of the UNCG faculty, we know that you share our commitment to liberal education and student learning. We look forward to working with you in our General Education Curriculum!