

## **Brookdale Community College College Policy**

### **5.0004 GENERAL EDUCATION POLICY**

#### **I. Title of Policy**

General Education

#### **II. Objective of Policy**

The goal of general education at Brookdale Community College is to draw students to new areas of intellectual experience, expanding their cultural and global awareness and cultural sensitivity, and preparing them to make well-reasoned judgements outside as well as within their academic field.

#### **III. Authority**

New Jersey Administrative Code Title 9A: 1-1.2 and 1-2.3 (Associate degree programs) and Chapter 62 of Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes.

#### **IV. Policy Statement**

As defined by the New Jersey Administrative Code, general education is “instruction that presents forms of expression, fields of knowledge, and methods of inquiry fundamental to intellectual growth and to a mature understanding of the world and the human condition. (N.J.A.C. 9A:1-1.2). General Education instruction helps students grow as individuals and participate more actively in society.

All programs leading to an associate degree at Brookdale shall include general education outcomes also known as “institutional learning outcomes”. Institutional learning outcomes are the skills and abilities all degree-seeking students are expected to acquire upon degree completion. They are consistent with the general education model as articulated by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE) and the New Jersey State Community College (NJCCC) General Education requirements.

Students acquire general education knowledge, skills and abilities through general education designated courses and the integration of general education knowledge, skills and abilities through other courses in the curriculum. The depth and scope of each general education area of study will vary and be appropriate to the degree.

In keeping with Brookdale’s educational philosophy and mission, the goal of general education at Brookdale Community College shall be to have students develop into inquisitive and informed individuals by preparing them for lifelong learning and facilitating their development to be responsible members of society. .

To this end and in compliance with the regulations of the State of New Jersey and the NJ Statewide Transfer Agreement commonly known as the Lampitt Law, the President shall promulgate, as appropriate, College regulations to ensure that graduating students have ample opportunity to acquire general education skills, knowledge and attributes , as determined by their program of study.

## **V. Responsibility for Implementation**

President

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