

Nevada State College Citizenship Criteria

Good Citizenship at NSC means active participation in the college environment in an informed, committed, and constructive manner, with a focus on the common good.

Citizenship Criteria:

- Take responsibility for your actions, including your academic progress
- Adhere to the student expectations stated in your course syllabus
- Develop effective study habits that work for you
- Reflect upon your experiences and learn from them
- Help others and allow others to help you
- Appreciate and respect diversity
- Maintain a positive attitude

NSC General Education Outcomes 2005-2006

Communication Outcomes

Level 1 – In this level of communication, you will learn to state your position on a given issue in both impromptu speaking and writing. You will develop the ability to define a manageable topic and a provable thesis that includes the main idea you wish to communicate, your attitude toward the main idea, and your purpose. You will learn about the writing process, in particular, you will learn that it usually takes multiple drafts to create and complete a successful text and/ presentation.

Level 2 – At the second level of communication, you will begin to develop a structured argument from a set of facts, impressions, and ideas. You will learn to present your ideas in written and oral form with clear transitions between an introduction, development of your ideas, and conclusion. You will learn to argue from your thesis and offer research and other evidence to support it. You will learn what proofs a given thesis requires, in particular, the ability to discriminate between description and analysis, between repetition and development, and between relevant evidence and irrelevant detail. You will understand writing, whether for a document or an oral presentation, as an open process that permits writers to use later invention and re-thinking to revise their work

Level 3 – At the third level of communication you will use conventions of format and structure appropriate to the audience and the purpose of your presentation. You will adopt appropriate voice, tone, and level of formality. In written work, all paragraphs will have unity, clarity, and coherence. Your argumentation in written work and oral and graphic presentation will become