

# Standing Requirements

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## Program Mission Statement

Recognizing its general and special missions in education, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University embraces a general education program. This course of study ensures that students possess the attributes expected of all university graduates. The general education program enables students, regardless of their degree program, to understand the significance of acquiring a broad range of knowledge. Throughout the general education program, students gain and enhance competence in written and oral communication. They practice reasoning and critical thinking skills and demonstrate computer proficiency. As students engage in this course of study, they familiarize themselves with and investigate ideas and methodologies from several disciplines. These include the arts and humanities, the social sciences, economics, the natural sciences and mathematics. The program also helps students recognize interrelationships among the disciplines. Promoting the appreciation of varied perspectives, the general education program provides intellectual stimulation, ensuring that students are broadly educated. This course of study empowers students to make informed value judgments, to expand their knowledge and understanding of themselves, and to lead meaningful, responsible, and satisfying lives as individuals, professionals, and concerned members of their society and the world.

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University's general education program encourages effective learning and provides a coherent base for students to pursue their academic specializations. In specific support of the goals of general education,

candidates for bachelor degrees must complete course work or demonstrate competency in the following areas: English, Mathematics, Physical Sciences, and Social Sciences and Economics.

## Program Alignment to University Mission

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## ERAU University Mission Statement

Our mission is to teach the science, practice and business of aviation and aerospace, preparing students for productive careers<sup>1</sup> and leadership roles in service around the world.<sup>2</sup>

Our technologically enriched, student-centered environment<sup>3</sup> emphasizes learning through collaboration and teamwork,<sup>4</sup> concern for ethical and responsible behavior,<sup>5</sup> cultivation of analytical<sup>6</sup> and management abilities,<sup>7</sup> and a focus on the development of the professional skills needed for participation in a global community.<sup>8</sup> We believe a vibrant future for aviation and aerospace rests in the success of our students. Toward this end, Embry-Riddle is committed to providing a climate that facilitates the highest standards of academic achievement<sup>9</sup> and knowledge discovery,<sup>10</sup> in an interpersonal environment that supports the unique needs of each individual.<sup>11</sup> Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University is the world's leader in aviation and aerospace education. The University is an independent, non-profit, culturally diverse institution providing quality education and research in aviation, aerospace, engineering and related fields leading to associate's, baccalaureate's, master's and doctoral degrees.

**\*Program Alignment to University Mission**

## Program Alignment to University Mission

Select all that apply.

<sup>1</sup>Preparing students for productive careers

<sup>2</sup>Preparing students for leadership roles in service around the world

<sup>3</sup>Technologically enriched environment

<sup>4</sup>Emphasize learning through collaboration and teamwork

<sup>5</sup>Concern for ethical and responsible behavior

<sup>6</sup>Cultivate analytical abilities

<sup>8</sup>Develop the professional skills needed for participation in a global community

<sup>9</sup>Facilitating the highest standards of academic achievement

<sup>10</sup>Facilitating knowledge discovery

<sup>11</sup>Providing an interpersonal environment that supports the unique needs of each individual

## Program Outcomes

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## General Education Competencies

Competency	Mapping
<p>Critical Thinking (DB, PC, WW) The student will apply knowledge at the synthesis level to define and solve problems within professional and personal environments.</p>	<p><b>Embry-Riddle General Education Competency Set:</b> Critical Thinking (DB, PC, WW)</p>
<p>Quantitative Reasoning (DB, PC, WW) The student will demonstrate the use of digitally-enabled technology (including concepts, techniques and tools of computing), mathematics proficiency &amp; analysis techniques to interpret data for the purpose of drawing valid conclusions and solving associated problems.</p>	<p><b>Embry-Riddle General Education Competency Set:</b> Quantitative Reasoning (DB, PC, WW)</p>
<p>Information Literacy (DB, PC, WW) The student will conduct meaningful research, including gathering information from primary and secondary sources and incorporating and documenting source material in his or her writing.</p>	<p><b>Embry-Riddle General Education Competency Set:</b> Information Literacy (DB, PC, WW)</p>
<p>Communication (DB, PC, WW) The student will communicate concepts in written, digital and oral forms to present technical and non-technical information.</p>	<p><b>Embry-Riddle General Education Competency Set:</b> Communication (DB, PC, WW)</p>
<p>Scientific Literacy (DB, PC, WW)</p>	<p><b>Embry-Riddle General Education Competency Set:</b> Scientific Literacy (DB, PC, WW)</p>

The student will be able to analyze scientific evidence as it relates to the physical world and its interrelationship with human values and interests.

Cultural Literacy (DB, PC, WW)

The student will be able to analyze historical events, cultural artifacts, and philosophical concepts.

**Embry-Riddle General Education Competency Set:** Cultural Literacy (DB, PC, WW)

Lifelong Personal Growth (WW Only)

The student will be able to demonstrate the skills needed to enrich the quality of life through activities which enhance and promote lifetime learning.

**Embry-Riddle General Education Competency Set:** Lifelong Personal Growth (WW Only)

## General Education Outcome Set

### Outcome

Outcome	Mapping
<p>WW_BSGE_PO_01 Mathematical Reasoning:</p> <p>Apply knowledge of college level mathematics to defining and solving problems.</p>	<p><b>Embry-Riddle General Education Competency Set:</b> Critical Thinking (DB, PC, WW), Quantitative Reasoning (DB, PC, WW)</p>
<p>WW_BSGE_PO_02 Quantitative Analysis:</p> <p>Apply statistical methods in the analysis and interpretation of data for the purpose of</p>	<p><b>Embry-Riddle General Education Competency Set:</b> Critical Thinking (DB, PC, WW), Information Literacy (DB, PC, WW), Quantitative Reasoning (DB, PC, WW)</p>

drawing valid conclusions relating to the solutions of problems.

WW\_BSGE\_PO\_03  
Written Communication:

Communicate ideas in written form in both technical and non-technical areas.

**Embry-Riddle General Education Competency Set:** Communication (DB, PC, WW), Information Literacy (DB, PC, WW)

WW\_BSGE\_PO\_04  
Oral and Visual Communication:

Communicate ideas in non-written form, such as through oral presentations or visual media.

**Embry-Riddle General Education Competency Set:** Communication (DB, PC, WW), Information Literacy (DB, PC, WW)

WW\_BSGE\_PO\_05  
Ethical and Social Responsibility:

Recognize the importance of professional, ethical and social responsibility.

**Embry-Riddle General Education Competency Set:** Critical Thinking (DB, PC, WW), Cultural Literacy (DB, PC, WW), Scientific Literacy (DB, PC, WW)

WW\_BSGE\_PO\_06  
Environmental Awareness:

Understand the natural world, to include the impact of the environment on aerospace operations and aerospace operations on the environment, as well as everyday life and professional experiences.

**Embry-Riddle General Education Competency Set:** Critical Thinking (DB, PC, WW), Cultural Literacy (DB, PC, WW), Scientific Literacy (DB, PC, WW)

WW\_BSGE\_PO\_07  
Technological Literacy:

Use digitally-enabled

**Embry-Riddle General Education Competency Set:** Communication (DB, PC, WW), Critical Thinking (DB, PC, WW), Information Literacy (DB,

technology to organize and manipulate data, perform calculations, aid in solving problems, and communicate solutions, ideas, and concepts.

PC, WW), Quantitative Reasoning (DB, PC, WW), Scientific Literacy (DB, PC, WW)

WW\_BSGE\_PO\_08  
Scientific Reasoning:

Use scientific information in critical thinking and decision-making processes.

**Embry-Riddle General Education Competency Set:** Critical Thinking (DB, PC, WW), Quantitative Reasoning (DB, PC, WW), Scientific Literacy (DB, PC, WW)

WW\_BSGE\_PO\_09  
Teamwork:

Function on multi-cultural and/or multi-disciplinary teams.

**Embry-Riddle General Education Competency Set:** Communication (DB, PC, WW), Cultural Literacy (DB, PC, WW), Lifelong Personal Growth (WW Only)

WW\_BSGE\_PO\_10  
Economic Reasoning:

Apply economic principles to identify, formulate, and solve problems within professional and personal environments.

**Embry-Riddle General Education Competency Set:** Critical Thinking (DB, PC, WW), Information Literacy (DB, PC, WW), Quantitative Reasoning (DB, PC, WW)

WW\_BSGE\_PO\_11  
Professional Engagement:

Identify and participate in professional and personal development activities through organizations and self-directed learning.

**Embry-Riddle General Education Competency Set:** Communication (DB, PC, WW), Cultural Literacy (DB, PC, WW), Lifelong Personal Growth (WW Only)

WW\_BSGE\_PO\_12  
Social Awareness:

Understand contemporary issues in society.

**Embry-Riddle General Education Competency Set:** Critical Thinking (DB, PC, WW), Cultural Literacy (DB, PC, WW), Information Literacy (DB, PC, WW), Lifelong Personal Growth (WW Only)

WW\_BSGE\_PO\_13  
Multicultural Competence:

Recognize the complexity and diversity of the human experience, including cultural, aesthetic, psychological, philosophical, and spiritual dimensions.

**Embry-Riddle General Education Competency Set:** Cultural Literacy (DB, PC, WW), Lifelong Personal Growth (WW Only)

WW\_BSGE\_PO\_14  
Information Literacy:

Conduct and report research in accordance with professional standards.

**Embry-Riddle General Education Competency Set:** Communication (DB, PC, WW), Critical Thinking (DB, PC, WW), Information Literacy (DB, PC, WW), Quantitative Reasoning (DB, PC, WW)

## Curriculum Map

### Mapping Matrix

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#### [College of Arts & Sciences Curriculum Map](#)

**Alignment Set:** General Education Outcome Set

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# Assessment Schedule

## Mapping Matrix

### Gen Ed Assessment Schedule

**Alignment Set:** General Education Outcome Set

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#### Gen Ed Assessment Schedule

Courses and Activities Mapped to General Education Outcome Set


Show Outcome Descriptions

Show Course/Activity Data

Courses and Learning Activities	Outcome														
	WW_BSGE_PO_01 Mathematical Reasoning	WW_BSGE_PO_02 Quantitative Analysis	WW_BSGE_PO_03 Written Communication	WW_BSGE_PO_04 Oral and Visual Communication	WW_BSGE_PO_05 Ethical and Social Responsibility	WW_BSGE_PO_06 Environmental Awareness	WW_BSGE_PO_07 Technological Literacy	WW_BSGE_PO_08 Scientific Reasoning	WW_BSGE_PO_09 Teamwork	WW_BSGE_PO_10 Economic Reasoning	WW_BSGE_PO_11 Professional Management	WW_BSGE_PO_12 Social Awareness	WW_BSGE_PO_13 Multicultural Competency	WW_BSGE_PO_14 Information Literacy	
2013-14 Assessment Cycle					✓				✓					✓	✓
2014-15 ASSESSMENT CYCLE	✓		✓												✓
2016-18 ASSESSMENT CYCLE			✓		✓				✓				✓	✓	✓
2019-2027 Assessment Cycle	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

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## Additional Information (Optional)

# 2013-2014 Assessment Cycle

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## Assessment Plan

Measures

## General Education Outcome Set

Outcome

**Outcome:** WW\_BSGE\_PO\_05

Ethical and Social Responsibility:

Recognize the importance of professional, ethical and social responsibility.

**Measure:** Overall Student Performance Goal

▼ *Course level; Direct - Exam*

Details/Description:

HUMN 330 – Values and Ethics

This course focuses on the process of practical ethics as a way of resolving moral conflict and of understanding professional responsibility in a multiculturally diverse society without devaluing specific viewpoints of ethical or metaphysical theory, ideology, or religion. With basic moral logic, students will examine issues in terms of rights, responsibilities, and the community of rational beings; in terms of consequences and contingencies; and in terms of habituated virtues and character.

This course is designed to help students: 1) Understand the basic vocabulary and fundamental theories of ethics; 2) Discover life's values and determine which values are the most worthwhile; 3) Relate the textbook theories to actual life situations; 4) Find greater personal peace by choosing more constructive values; 5) Apply understanding of ethics to personal lives; 6) Understand the relationship between attitudes, values and moral conduct.

The primary rationale at the foundation of the course design is workplace relevance. All topics, activities, and assignments have been selected because of their applicability to a professional environment.

The Final Exam is a two-part test - 5 essay questions for each part. The Final is comprehensive (Modules 1-4 and 5-9, Chapters 1-13) and is taken during Week 9.

Criterion for Success:

Set an overall goal of 80% of the students achieving an overall grade of 75% or higher on the 10 question set.

Timeframe of Data Collection:

October – December 2013

Key/Responsible Personnel:

Donna Roberts, Discipline Chair, Psychology & Sociology

**Measure:** Student Performance Content Goal

▼ *Course level; Direct - Exam*

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Criterion for Success:	Set a content goal that no question on the 10 question exam will have a score of less than 70% of the points available for the question.
Timeframe of Data Collection:	October – December 2013
Key/Responsible Personnel:	Donna Roberts, Discipline Chair, Psychology & Sociology

**Outcome: WW\_BSGE\_PO\_08**

Scientific Reasoning:

Use scientific information in critical thinking and decision-making processes.

**Measure:** Measurement Title: Student Performance Content Goal

▼ *Course level; Direct - Exam*

Details/Description:	There are 13 chapter quizzes in WEAX 201, Meteorology I, and in each quiz there are at least 3 questions that require students to use scientific reasoning and critical thinking to answer the questions, for a total of 39 possible questions to choose from. I selected 20 of the best questions to use in this
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assessment of scientific reasoning and critical thinking. There are 13 chapter quizzes in WEAX 201, Meteorology I, and in each quiz there are at least 3 questions that require students to use scientific reasoning and critical thinking to answer the questions, for a total of 39 possible questions to choose from. I selected 20 of the best questions to use in this assessment of scientific reasoning and critical thinking.

**Criterion for Success:** Set a content goal that no question on the 20 question exam will have a score of less than 70% of the points available for the question.

**Timeframe of Data Collection:** October – December 2013

**Key/Responsible Personnel:** Tom Sieland, Course Monitor and Developer

**Measure:** Overall Student Performance Goal

▼ *Course level; Direct - Exam*

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**Criterion for Success:** Set an overall goal of 80% of the students achieving an overall grade of 75% or higher on the 20 question set.

**Timeframe of Data Collection:** October – December 2013

Key/Responsible  
Personnel:

Tom Sieland, Course Monitor and Developer

**Outcome: WW\_BSGE\_PO\_13**

Multicultural Competence:

Recognize the complexity and diversity of the human experience, including cultural, aesthetic, psychological, philosophical, and spiritual dimensions.

**Measure:** HUMN 210 World Culture

▼ *Course level; Direct - Student Artifact*

Details/Description:

HUMN 210 focuses on the cultural development of world societies including but not limited to religious, social, political, and philosophical arenas as all apply to contemporary circumstances.

The major goals of the course: students will have an overview of world cultures from early modern history to the present, emphasizing the contributions of all world cultures to the advancement of a global civilization; will be familiar with important events and themes of various world cultures and; will be able to research analyze, discuss and appreciate literary, philosophical, artistic and historical documents.

One of the major learning outcomes for the course is that students will research (in writing), through examination and analysis of primary and secondary sources, a country or specific society and its customs and practices while highlighting overall cultural contributions to a global world society (Activity 8.5).

Criterion for Success:

Set an overall goal of 80% of the students achieving an overall grade of 75% or higher on the research paper.

Timeframe of Data  
Collection:

December 2013 - March 2014

Key/Responsible  
Personnel:

Ann Marie Ade, Discipline Chair English & Speech

**Outcome: WW\_BSGE\_PO\_14**

**Information Literacy:**

Conduct and report research in accordance with professional standards.

**Measure: ENGL 221 Technical Report Writing**

▼ *Course level; Direct - Student Artifact*

**Details/Description:**

ENGL 221 introduces students to the preparation of formal and informal technical reports, abstracts, proposals, instructions, professional correspondence and other forms of technical communication. Major emphasis is placed on the long technical report and the acquisition of advanced writing skills.

Part of this course involves student writing a formal, researched and documented report with aesthetically pleasing title page, a letter of transmittal, tables of content and of tables and figures, an informative abstract, and clearly identified sections with headings throughout the report (Activity 9.1).

**Criterion for Success:**

Set an overall goal of 80% of the students achieving an overall grade of 75% or higher on the final report.

**Timeframe of Data Collection:**

December 2013 - March 2014

**Key/Responsible Personnel:**

Ann Marie Ade, Discipline Chair English and Speech

**Measure: Student's Ability to Collect Information through appropriate channels**

▼ *Course level; Direct - Student Artifact*

**Details/Description:**

RSCH 202 will be assessed for Information Literacy. In order to assess this learning outcome, two activities of RSCH 202 will be utilized:

Activity 3.5 (Case Studies): In Activity 3.5, there are two case studies, one on interviewing from Chapter 7

and the other on Observation from Chapter 8. Students will read through the two case studies, select one of the two, and answer the questions at the end of the case study they choose. Students will write their answers in complete sentences using a Word Document.

This assignment demonstrates students' ability to collect meaningful information, in addition to how to collect that information. Furthermore, this assignment focuses on collecting data through surveys, and thus why the next assessment item will also be used.

Activity 5.6 (Final Literature Review): The core of the Activity is a Literature Review. The assignment states: The primary purpose of this assignment is to help you understand that the literature review is an integral part of any research project and how it lays the groundwork for the investigation you will do.

Thus Activity 5.6 contrasts Activity 3.5 and thus together they form a cohesive assessment of Information Literacy.

See attached files for both the activities above, and the grading rubric.

**Criterion for Success:**

Assessment Criteria for Success: 70% of the students should earn a 75% or above.

**Timeframe of Data Collection:**

RSCH 202 will be assessed in the March 2014 semester. All RSCH 202 course instructors will provide students' scores on Activity 5.6. to Dr. Heather Garten, who will do a statistical analysis to determine if the Assessment Criteria for Success was met. If the Criteria for Success were not met, the course activity will be reexamined. First, Dr. Garten will compare and contrast students' responses: Those who did master versus those who did not master the skill. Where there is evidence of weakness and/or a common mistake, course remediation will be implemented immediately and the assessment will take place again in the following semester.

**Key/Responsible Personnel:**

Dr. Heather L Garten

**Supporting Attachments:**



- ① [RSCH 202 Activity 3\\_5 Solutions.pdf](#) (Adobe Acrobat Document)
- ① [RSCH 202 Literature Review Assignment.pdf](#) (Adobe Acrobat Document)
- ① [RSCH 202 M5 Rubric Literature Review.pdf](#) (Adobe Acrobat Document)

**Additional/Ad-hoc Program Improvements (Optional)**

**Attachments**