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## Why am I taking this course?

During the course of your college career, you will be asked to complete a variety of different courses that will make up your degree. There may be a point where you question, "why am I taking this course?" The short answer is that the course is designed to develop and/or enhance the skills you have that employers want in their next employee.

You may have come to Metro State to change or enhance your career options. The Minnesota Transfer Curriculum and the Metro State Career Competencies both spotlight the skills employers want in their future employees. Your required classes prepare you in more ways than one. When you are job searching, these career competencies give you language to talk about your well-rounded liberal arts education background and skills with potential employers.

#### Minnesota Transfer Curriculum (GELS)

MnTC provides students with general education around 10 goal areas. Read more about MnTC at: metrostate.edu/academics/requirements/mntc

Communication
Critical Thinking
Natural Sciences
Mathematical of Logistical Reasoning
History and the Social and Behavioral Sciences
The Humanities and Fine Arts
Human Diversity
Global Perspective
Ethical and Civic Responsibility
People and the Environment

#### **Metro State Career Competencies**

Metro State has identified the top 10 Career Competencies employers want in their employees. Read more about Career Competencies at: metrostate.edu/students/support/career/ finding-a-path/readiness

<b>Professional Communication</b>
<b>Critical Thinking and Problem Solving</b>
Ethical Decision Making
Innovation and Creativity
Leadership and Followership
Teamwork and Collaboration
Cultural Agility, Inclusion, and Anti-Racism
Community Engagement
Digital Literacy
Continuous Learning and Career Management

Consider each course you take an opportunity to gain experience and develop the career competencies employers want.

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