

Institutional Student Learning Outcomes (ISLOs)

COM-FSM graduates will demonstrate (*Approved by the COM-FSM Board of Regents, May 6-7, 2013*):

- 1. Effective oral communication** Capacity to deliver prepared, purposeful presentations designed to increase knowledge, to foster understanding, or to promote change in the listeners' attitudes, values, beliefs, or behaviors.
- 2. Effective written communication** Development and expression of ideas in writing through work in many genres and styles, utilizing different writing technologies, and mixing texts, data, and images through iterative experiences across the curriculum.
- 3. Critical thinking** A habit of mind characterized by the comprehensive exploration of issues, ideas, artifacts, and events before accepting or formulating an opinion or conclusion.
- 4. Problem solving** Capacity to design, evaluate, and implement a strategy to answer an open-ended question or achieve a desired goal.
- 5. Intercultural knowledge and competence** A set of cognitive, affective, and behavioral skills and characteristics that support effective and appropriate interaction in a variety of cultural contexts.
- 6. Information literacy** The ability to know when there is a need for information, to be able to identify, locate, evaluate, and effectively and responsibly use and share that information for the problem at hand.
- 7. Foundations and skills for life-long learning** Purposeful learning activity, undertaken on an ongoing basis with the aim of improving knowledge, skills, and competence.
- 8. Quantitative reasoning** Ability to reason and solve quantitative problems from a wide array of authentic contexts and everyday life situations; comprehends and can create sophisticated arguments supported by quantitative evidence and can clearly communicate those arguments in a variety of formats.