

Purposes of General Education

To embody the University motto in terms of “Integrity” and “Diligence” , general education of NOU aims to break the limitation of time and space with distance courses that equip adult learners with distinctive characteristics, such as integrity, diligence, responsibility, and cooperation. The curriculum of general education shall prepare them to become modern citizens, life enrichers, and lifelong learners.

The general education curriculum puts emphasis on enhancing learning motivation through explorations of everyday knowledge and life issues, to cultivate basic abilities and liberal arts literacy. Basic abilities include competencies of languages and information technology, which are essential to lifelong learning and self-development. Liberal arts literacy is fostered by a wide range of knowledge from cultures, art, social sciences, psychology and environmental protection. To strengthen these competences, formal courses and extracurricular activities are designed to encourage students to understand and respect the differences, to think independently, and to participate in social activities.