SKIDMORE COLLEGE GOALS FOR STUDENT LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT

I. KNOWLEDGE
• Acquire knowledge of human cultures and the physical world through study in the arts, humanities, languages, mathematics, natural sciences, and social sciences
• Understand social and cultural diversity in national and global contexts
• Demonstrate advanced learning and synthesis in both general and specialized studies

II. INTELLECTUAL SKILLS AND PRACTICE
• Think critically, creatively, and independently
• Gather, analyze, integrate, and apply varied forms of information; understand and use evidence
• Communicate effectively
• Interact effectively and collaboratively with individuals and across social identities
• Engage in and take responsibility for learning; strive for excellence

III. PERSONAL AND SOCIAL VALUES
• Examine one's own values and their use as ethical criteria in thought and action
• Interrogate one's own values in relation to those of others, across social and cultural differences
• Develop practical competencies for managing a personal, professional, and community life
• Apply learning to find solutions for social, civic, and scientific problems

IV. TRANSFORMATION
• Integrate and apply knowledge and creative thought from multiple disciplines in new contexts
• Embrace intellectual integrity, humility, and courage
• Foster habits of mind and body that enable a person to live deliberately and well
• Develop an enduring passion for learning