Rhetoric, Writing and Public Discourse Learning Goals:

1. Describe and engage central questions and concerns that have shaped the field of rhetoric, and effectively engage core rhetorical concepts and theories.
2. Critically analyze public discourse as it is shaped by composition, audience, genre, rhetorical situation, and systemic power dynamics.
3. Create messages which are shaped by communicative goals and responsive to audience, context, and ethical engagement with difference.
4. Understand and practice written and oral communication as recursive processes.
5. Create written and oral arguments that use clear evidence to support specific claims.