The Value of GE Reinvigorating Our Commitment to the Foundation of Education

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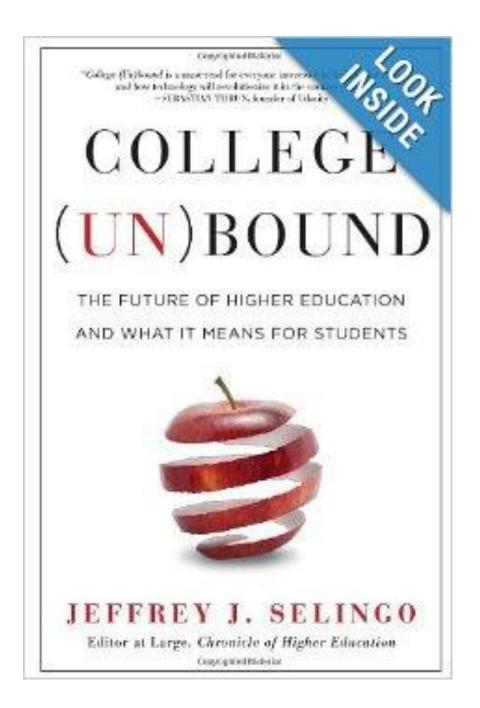


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Partnerships

- ASCCC Foundation
- CSU Compass Project
- AAC&U
- IGETC about 30
 years old and still going strong





GE

Business leaders (namely IBM and Proctor and Gamble chiefs) say students of the liberal arts "bring to a workplace ...creativity, problem solving, flexibility, and teamwork," where "you get to exercise your whole brain."

College (Un)Bound, Jeffrey Selingo, 2013

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"...college graduates need a deep skill in some academic subject, but that depth in one area needs to be supplemented with other knowledge."

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Central to an Associate Degree, General Education is designed to introduce students to the variety of means through which people comprehend the modern world. It reflects the conviction of colleges that those who receive their degrees must possess in common certain basic principles, concepts and methodologies both unique to and shared by the various disciplines. College educated persons must be able to use this knowledge when evaluating and appreciating the physical environment, the culture, and the society in which they live. Most importantly, General Education should lead to better self-understanding.

Why Do We Believe GE is Important?

<u>http://asccc.org/content/value-ge-or-answer-</u> <u>why-do-i-need-take-class</u>

<u>http://asccc.org/content/30-years-evolution-</u> <u>associate-degree</u>

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