TO: UGA Faculty, Staff, and Students

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RE: Coming soon! Introducing the Comprehensive Learner Record (CLR)

The Office of Instruction is excited to announce our progress in developing a new digital platform that will change how students experience their learning journey at the University of Georgia - the **Comprehensive Learner Record**.

The Comprehensive Learner Record is designed to highlight students' validated skills and achievements, combining courses and activities experienced during their time at UGA. The Comprehensive Learner Record will be woven into students' learning from day one, motivating students to plan for their future and communicate their story while advancing their academic and professional careers.

The future of the workplace is changing. Although technology will develop new jobs and replace old ones, the value of soft skills will remain the same, if not more important. Increasingly, employers are valuing candidates with interpersonal and problem-solving skills. We know students are already learning these skills through their courses and activities, and we want to help them articulate it.

UGA has six **Institutional Competencies**: **Critical Thinking**, **Analytical Thinking**, **Communication Skills**, **Social Awareness and Responsibility**, **Creativity and Innovation**, and **Leadership and Collaboration**, which were approved by University Council last spring.

Going forward, instructors will be able to map their **Course Learning Outcomes** to these **Institutional Competencies**, helping their students expand their experience in each of these six competency areas. As students develop their skills, their Comprehensive Learner Record will reflect their strengths and the areas where they can improve, which will guide students when registering for courses or searching for opportunities outside of the classroom.

Students will be able to optimize the layout of their Comprehensive Learner Record to showcase their strengths and experiences in this visual portfolio, which they can proudly share with prospective employers.

The main goal of this initiative is to help students chart their path at UGA and connect their learning experiences in a dynamic, visual space that highlights their achievements and skills. From orientation to graduation, students will build their Comprehensive Learner Record, which will underscore how their courses and experiences at the University of Georgia prepare them for their future.

The Comprehensive Learner Record is still in its development stage, and we look forward to sharing its design soon.

Stay tuned for updates on: https://instruction.uga.edu/the-comprehensive-learner-record/.