

University of Michigan-Flint First Year Experience Rubric for the Embedded Assessment of Application of Knowledge to Complex Issues¹

	Advanced 4	Proficient 3	Basic 2	Below Basic 1
Define Complex Issues	Shows clear, complete understanding of a complex issue and identifies specific factors that influence the approach to solving that complex issue	Shows clear understanding of a complex issue and identifies many specific factors that influence the approach to solving that complex issue	Shows a partially developed understanding of a complex issue and identifies a few specific factors that influence the approach to solving that complex issue	Shows limited understanding of a complex issue and broader context
Civic Communication	Demonstrates skills in listening and articulating one's own ideas in inclusive ways (e.g., through deliberation, negotiation, conflict resolution, building agreement)	Moderate skills in listening to and limited skill at drawing out others' viewpoints in inclusive ways (e.g., through deliberation, negotiation, conflict resolution, building agreement)	Demonstrates emerging skills in explaining one's own ideas but little understanding of listening as an important communication tool; does not use inclusive language	Demonstrates limited skill in explaining one's own ideas with little evidence of listening to or considering others' viewpoints
Connections to Experience	Shows evidence of combining fields of study and one's own perspective on classroom content as well as life situations to illuminate and deepen one's analysis, synthesis, or interpretation(s)	Demonstrates an understanding of the influence of fields of study with one's own experience outside of the classroom	Begins to appropriately associate one's own experience outside of the classroom with fields of study	Demonstrates some understanding of how one's own experience outside of the formal classroom relates to fields of study

¹ Adapted from the Association of American Colleges and Universities Problem Solving, Civic Engagement, and Integrative Learning Metarubrics

