# Ignatian Course Design Worksheet for Online Learning: Step 2: Course Objectives

1. From an Ignatian perspective writing learning outcomes is a 4 step process:
2. Identify the Knowledge, Skills or Dispositions (K/S/D) that students should be able to demonstrate at the conclusion of the lesson/unit/course.
3. Identify how you will assess/evaluate that students have achieved your objective.
4. Describe the experiences that you will provide students to help them achieve the planned K/S/D outcomes.

Write the objective statement  
Format Example: After students (experience)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ they will be able to (active verb) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and demonstrate their learning by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

***Example:*** After students **complete worksheet** **#2: Course Objectives**, they will **understand the process of writing learning objectives** and will **write detailed learning objectives for their own course in development**.

## Types of Instructional Objectives

Instructional Objectives can be classified into one of three categories:

1. Knowledge/Informational/Understanding – At the most basic level, students must gain an understanding of foundational information that will inform their ability to develop a knowledge of the more advanced concepts and procedures.
2. Skills/Procedures/Tools – Learning “how to do things” is a significant portion of a higher education that will give students concrete, applicable skills that they can use in their careers.
3. Dispositions/Expertise/Strategic – The end goal of an education is to start students on a path that will have them “thinking like experts” in their field. This means knowing how, when and why to apply a particular skill set, leverage existing knowledge, or propose a solution.

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| Course Learning Objectives | |
| Use this table to capture the most important learning objectives for your course and the ways in which you will assess that students have met them (outcomes). | |
| Objective Upon completion of the course students will be able to: | Assessment |
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