Students who complete Principia College’s FYE program will understand the deep connections between reading, writing, thinking, and speaking, as well as the recursive nature of these various skills. They will be able to make intentional choices about the ways they interact and approach their subsequent work in college. Students will:

1. Use academic research strategies.
2. Use criteria for evaluating information sources.
3. Understand how to use information in an ethical manner, including the proper citing of sources and the avoidance of plagiarism.
4. Identify key concepts in reading texts.
5. Summarize the development of ideas in texts, speeches, or/and other media (dance, music, art, etc.).
6. Use evidence to make conclusions and/or take positions.
7. Use appropriate discipline specific conventions in writing and speaking.