

University-Wide General Education Curriculum Committee

A. Function

To oversee the implementation of the University-Wide General Education Program and to review and study the overall program and the courses offered within.

To write guidelines and set policies for the submission and approval of courses for the General Education Program, for issues affecting transfer students and students who entered under the previous General Education Program and as needed for continuous improvement, in accordance with the General Education Content and Competency Areas and their respective Learning Outcomes.

To develop procedures for transfer students to appeal determinations of non-acceptable general education credits of course work taken at other institutions.

To make all relevant guidelines and policies available to faculty and advisors.

To develop, to oversee implementation of, and to review assessment measures.

To change the General Education Program as needed for continuous improvement or as mandated by changes to University, CPE or SACS requirements, and bring them to the University Committee on Undergraduate Studies for presentation to the Provost.

To review critically and to approve or disapprove requests submitted by departments, programs, divisions or units for the addition, deletion, or revision of courses for General Education. Where actions affect the requirements of more than one department, program, division or unit, there will be prior consultation with all involved.

To publish minutes of each meeting in a timely manner. Actions become official if not challenged within a month of publication of the minutes. A challenge may be made by a faculty member or department, provided it is done in writing and that it is in the hands of the Chairperson of the Committee before the expiration date of the period provided above. Considerations of challenges must be taken up by the Committee within 30 working days. If an agreement cannot be reached between the Committee and the Petitioner, the matter is forwarded to the Provost for resolution.

B. Structure

The committee will consist of the following voting members:

- 2 undergraduate student members (from two different units) appointed annually by the Student Government Association
- 7 faculty members elected in the College of Arts and Sciences
- 2 faculty members elected in the Speed Scientific School
- 2 faculty members elected in the College of Business and Public Administration
- 1 faculty member elected in the School of Dentistry
- 1 faculty member elected in the College of Education and Human Development
- 1 faculty member elected in from the School of Music
- 1 faculty member elected in the School of Nursing
- 1 faculty member elected in University Libraries

All full-time faculty members will be eligible for election without regard to any administrative post they may hold. All part-time faculty members will be eligible for election, but may only serve in academic years when they are employed by the University. Faculty members will be elected by their units for three-year terms. The initial committee will consist of members elected for staggered terms.

Ex-officio, non-voting members of the General Education Curriculum Committee may be added to the committee by the committee chair. They may include a representative from other constituencies that are substantially affected by the General Education Program.

The committee will elect a chair each year for a one-year term.

The committee will report to the Undergraduate Council, which will then recommend to the Provost.

The Faculty Senate will review the function and structure of this committee every five years, beginning in 2008-09.