



Core Council Report to the Faculty Senate – February 26, 2021

1. Legislation submitted to the Faculty Senate:

When an existing course, which has never been in the University Core, is approved for inclusion in the University Core there may be students who took the course previous to the date of core approval. In these cases, the degree completion window of 6 years specified by ADHE will be used to determine whether the course will count for the core requirement. The newly-approved core course will count for the core requirement if it is taken six or fewer academic years before the date of implementation of the core course. Courses approved for core are implemented beginning the fall of the next academic year after they are approved.

Commentary: This rule applies only to existing courses which have never been part of the core and have recently been approved for core. The proposal gives wide latitude for counting courses in the core, without counting courses for core when material is significantly out of date. The academic year begins in fall and ends in summer. All core courses are required to provide students with a test-out option so a student also has that choice.

2. Those with courses in the core have been sent the questions and instructions for data collection for the assessment reports due on September 27, 2021.

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