

MEMORANDUM

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January 20, 2012

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Shared Governance Oversight Committee

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From: Dan Howard

To:

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Interim Chancellor

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Re: Shared Governance Proposal

Jonesboro, Arkansas

I received the following proposal from the Shared Governance Oversight Committee (SGOC). Pursuant to the governing language contained in the Faculty Handbook, I have reviewed the proposal carefully, consulted with other parties as appropriate, and hereby document my response:

Proposal 11FA-21, ASU-Jonesboro Proposal for General Education Mission, Goals, and Curriculum with Learning Outcomes Final. The SGOC received the proposal on November 11, 2011, and met on November 14, 2011, to decide the disposition of the proposal. The SGOC determined that the proposal should receive an expedited review under the direction of the SGOC and General Education Committee. Set to review the proposal were the Faculty Senate, Staff Senate, Deans Council, Chairs Council, and the Student Government Association. Following review by the constituency groups, the General Education Committee reported to SGOC support from the constituency groups for the revised proposal, with the exception of Staff Senate, who did not weigh in on the proposal since the statement referencing Student Affairs was removed from the revised version.

<u>Response:</u> Upon careful review of the ASU-Jonesboro Proposal for General Education Mission, Goals, and Curriculum with Learning Outcomes Final, I support the position of the proposal.

Pursuant to the Shared Governance Proposal Review Process, the campus community will be informed of my decision, which will be done through the ASU Daily Digest. Please accept my heartfelt appreciation for your leadership and extend my appreciation to the SGOC members for their active service to our university.



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Executive Council

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From:

Angela Daniels

Sent:

Thursday, January 19, 2012 12:20 PM

To:

Dan Howard

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Sue McLarry; MARILYN C BREWER; SHERRY LYNN JOHNSON; THOMAS A. MOORE

Subject: Attachments: Proposal 11FA0021, Proposal for General Education Mission, Goals and Curriculum with learning outcomes 11FA21 Disposition.pdf; 11FA 21R- Revised General Education Curriculum for Baccalaureate Degrees Dec

2011.pd

Importance:

High

TO:

Dr. Dan Howard, Interim Chancellor ASU Jonesboro

FROM:

Angela Daniels, Chair SGOC

DATE:

January 19, 2012

RE:

Shared Governance Proposal 11FA-21 Proposal for General Education Mission, Goals, and Curriculum

with learning outcomes final

The SGOC received the above mentioned proposal on November 11, 2011. The SGOC met on November 14, 2011 to decide the disposition for this proposal. At that meeting it was decided that this was a shared governance issue and it should receive an expedited review under the direction of the Shared Governance Oversight Committee and General Education Committee. The constituency groups set to review this proposal were the Faculty Senate, Staff Senate, Chair's Council, Dean's Council, and SGA. The proposal was sent to the constituency groups after the disposition meeting.

A report back from the General Education Committee to the SGOC indicated support for the revised proposal. The response from the constituency groups indicated that the Faculty Senate, Chair's Council, Dean's Council, and SGA all supported the revised proposal. Staff Senate decided to not weigh in on this proposal since the statement referencing Student Affairs was removed from the revised version.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela J. Daniels



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From: Angela Daniels

Sent: Monday, January 09, 2012 12:57 PM

To: Loretta N. McGregor

Subject: Fianl Draft - Proposal 11FA0021, Proposal for General Education Mission, Goals and Curriculum with learning outcomes

Importance: High

You are receiving this email as the Chair of the Chair's Council.

The final draft of Proposal 11FA0021, Proposal for General Education Mission, Goals and Curriculum with learning outcomes is attached. You and your members have 7 days to complete the **Expedited Review** and submit your vote on the above mentioned proposal. Email your final vote and comments to <u>SGOC@astate.edu</u>. The vote on the final draft is due by January 18, 2012.

If you have any questions or comments regarding SGOC proposal process, please contact the SGOC Chair: Angela Daniels email angelad@astate.edu.



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Revised General Education Curriculum for Baccalaureate Degrees

The General Education Committee reviewed the suggestions from the Faculty Senate, Deans' Council and Chairs' Council. The following revision was made to the curriculum as first proposed. Also you will notice we removed the separate category of US History/American Government and returned those courses to the Social Science category. Currently the required US History or American Government is found in the Social Science category.

English - Comp I & II - required

Math – College Algebra or higher – required

Science - Physical science with lab 4 hrs & biological science with lab 4 hrs - required

Communications - Oral Communication 0-3 hrs required

Fine Arts/Humanities - 6-9 hrs, 1 Fine Art & 1 Humanities required

Social Science -9-12 hrs required, American Government/US History were moved to this category with the stipulation that 3 hrs must be taken of either American Government or US History. Having a 3 cr hr course with a HIST prefix is no longer a requirement.

Total required General Education hours = 35 (This meets the State Minimum Core for General Education.)

A department will determine how the floating 3 hours will be used for its degrees. The 3 hours could be from Oral Communication, Fine Arts & Humanities, or Social Science.

For example, a department decides to require Oral Communication, so the students in that department would take 3 hours Oral Communication, 6 hrs of Fine Arts & Humanities, and 9 hrs of Social Science with the required US History or Am Government. The HIST prefix is no longer required.

Second example, the department decides to not require Oral Communication or a third Fine Arts/Humanities course but requires 3 Social Science courses in addition to the US History or American Government course. Or the choice could be made to require 3 Fine Arts/Humanities courses, no Oral Communication and 2 Social Science courses plus US History/Am Government.

The General Education believes the above Gen Ed curriculum provides the most flexibility within the 35 cr hr State Minimum Gen Ed Core.