Process/Timeline

Campus Consultation and Faculty Governance Approval For General Education Taskforce Recommendations

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The changes to the general education curriculum being considered by the General Education Taskforce are significant enough to require a substantive consultation with campus stakeholders before proceeding through faculty governance approval. The Faculty President, President-Elect, and Chair of the University College Faculty Council have developed the following process/timeline in order to allow for the possibility that the new curriculum could be implemented in Fall 2016.

~ 30 Sept.	General Education Taskforce forwards its recommendations for curriculum change to University College Faculty Council (UCFC)	
~ 8 Oct.	 UCFC Releases a Consultation Draft of the General Education Curriculum Proposal along with resource plan: This proposal will be holistic, making the case for the recommended changes to the curriculum as a whole and providing details on changes to individual courses/requirements. Curriculum committees in colleges and departments will be asked to consult on proposed changes but the curriculum proposal itself will originate in UCFC. 	
Oct. / Nov.	Consultation Period: campus stakeholders will have the opportunity to review the curriculum proposal and provide feedback to UCFC. The consultation is expected to include, but is not limited to: - College Curriculum Committees - College Faculty Councils - Faculty Council - Department Chairs - Departments - College Leadership Councils - Teaching Faculty - Academic Advisors - Units wishing to schedule meetings and invite representatives to discuss the proposed curriculum changes should identify several possible dates/times and submit those options as soon as possible. Paula LaCross (placross@uncc.edu) will coordinate scheduling.	
Early Dec.	UCFC will review the feedback, comments, and questions and determine whether: A. Only minor revisions are required to address the comments, questions, and concerns. B. Major revisions to the proposal are required which in turn will require an opportunity for a second round of in-depth consultation	
	IF A	IF B
Jan.	 UCFC will release the revised curriculum proposal for consultation and endorsement/approval. Units and elected bodies wishing to review the revised proposal will need to allow sufficient time on the agenda in January meetings. There may be an open all-faculty meeting scheduled in early January 	Rinse and Repeat
Late Jan.	UCFC reviews the feedback from the campus community and decides whether to approve the proposal and forward to FEC and Faculty Council.	