Core Curriculum Implementation

Policy Memorandum No. 63

Recommended by the Commission on Undergraduate Studies

Approved by University Council: April 15, 1985

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Effective: Immediately

Over a period of several years, beginning with the report of the "Collins Committee," the Commission on Undergraduate Studies has led in the development of course sequences and clusters for the University's core curriculum, as a comprehensive general education requirement for the University. The course sequences and clusters were developed by curriculum committees in departments and colleges, by area committees, and by a subcommittee of the Commission on Undergraduate Studies.

The core curriculum will change with time, and committees will examine elements periodically to assure that they remain appropriate. Faculty are encouraged to examine the core curriculum elements relating to them and suggest changes they consider appropriate. The current list of approved sequences and clusters of courses will be available at the Office of the Provost.

As a result of this consideration, the University Council adopted the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, appropriate sequences and clusters of courses have been put forward for all five areas of the University Core Curriculum, and

WHEREAS, the large majority of these proposed sequences and clusters have been approved for inclusion in the Core Curriculum by the Commission on Undergraduate Studies following review and recommendation by college curriculum committees, area committees and the Core Curriculum Committee of the CUS, and

WHEREAS, the result of this proposal-review-recommendation-approval process is an assemblage of course sequences and clusters deemed sufficient in numbers and variety to meet the needs of all the students the Core Curriculum must serve, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the appended list of approved sequences and clusters of courses, augmented by whatever additional sequences or clusters may subsequently be approved by the CUS, serve as the University Core Curriculum beginning with the 1985-86 academic year, and be it further

RESOLVED, that all new freshmen students entering Virginia Tech, after the adoption of this Resolution by the University Council and its acknowledgement by the Board of Visitors, be subject to the University Core Curriculum requirement endorsed earlier by the University Council and the Board of Visitors, and be it further

RESOLVED, that all transfer students entering the University henceforth be required to meet the same University Core Curriculum requirements as their Virginia Tech classmates.

President's Policy Memorandum

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