

General Education Committee Recommendation for General Education Program Review

In light of the recent request by the Kansas Board of Regents to cap degree programs at a total of 120 credit hours and requests from the College of Engineering to examine credit hour requirements rather than total course standards, the General Education Committee recommends that the issue of revising the General Education Program be placed before the Faculty Senate. While the goals and outcomes of General Education [see below] have not been called into question, the best method to achieve those goals and outcomes while balancing the demand of the major bear a revisiting by the body of the faculty. Accordingly, the General Education committee requests the Faculty Senate take up the question of whether to examine the necessity to revise, maintain, or replace the General Education Program as currently practiced.

Goals of the General Education Program:

- To enable you to live a rich, meaningful life by developing:
 - an informed appreciation of the arts, humanities, and natural and social sciences;
 - an ability to intelligently follow and participate in current events;
 - a sensitive and tutored appreciation of diverse cultures and ways of living.

Outcomes of the General Education Program:

- Have acquired knowledge in the arts, humanities, and natural and social sciences
- Think critically and independently
- Write and speak effectively
- Employ analytical reasoning and problem solving techniques