

Recommendations of the Faculty Senate ad hoc General Education Committee Cleveland State University, Spring 2017

In Spring of 2016, at the request of President Berkman, the Faculty Senate assembled an ad hoc Committee on General Education charged with making recommendations regarding our General Education program. The recommendations of the Committee are below:

Framework

1. Strengthen integration of general education skills into majors.
2. Simplify the General Education requirements.
3. Add Civic Engagement as a skill area.

Implementation

1. Improve criteria sheets and develop rubrics to foster assessment of general education.
2. Add the identified skill area to the catalog description for each general education course.
3. Provide for review and recertification of General Education courses.
4. Ensure that courses incorporating each skill area are available.
5. Incorporate Reacting to the Past curriculum into additional general education courses.
6. Allow for popup General Education courses with temporary General Education status.

Support

1. Provide regular professional development around general education topics.
2. Promote general education to students, faculty, and staff.
3. Reduce the cap the size of Writing Across the Curriculum courses and Oral Communication courses from 35.