

EXEC COMMITTEE STATEMENT – 11/06/24

The Academic Senate recently repealed a previously accepted General Education report listing 75 approved general education courses. These courses were to be foundational to the newly approved General Education model. As a result of this repeal, students are at risk of not having general education courses available for the impending Spring 2025 semester registration period.

Given the dire situation our institution's students may face, the Senate's Executive Committee entered into deliberate consideration of this matter. Following internal discussion as well as meeting with the Office of Academic Affairs, the Executive Committee has taken the following action on behalf of our students:

- 1) The 75 courses put forth by the General Education Committee are considered a provisional list of general education courses available for students to select for the Spring 2025 semester.
- 2) These 75 courses shall be re-evaluated using a new rubric
- 3) The new evaluation rubric shall be formulated via a transparent process and shall replace the previously used rubric.
- 4) Up to 15 additional proposed general education courses may be approved by the General Education Committee using the new evaluation rubric. Faculty shall be encouraged to propose courses that are innovative, interdisciplinary, and fall within a domain defined by Ohio 36.
- 5) It should be understood that the pool of courses chosen to fulfill the general education model is fluid and subject to change to accommodate transformations in education and society.
- 6) The Governance Committee of the Academic Senate shall ensure that the membership of the General Education Committee is complete and representative of the University community.