### **General Education Reform**

### Goals of the proposal

Support Student Learning Goals
Strengthen Communication
Enhance Global Learning

# **Current Program**

| Core Requirement Year 1:  |       | 13 cr.  |
|---------------------------|-------|---------|
| Perspectives              | 3 cr. |         |
| World Cultures            | 4 cr. |         |
| Year 2:                   |       |         |
| Composition               | 3 cr. |         |
| Institutions              | 3 cr. |         |
| STEM Requirement          |       | 16 cr.  |
| HASS Electives            |       | 15 cr.  |
| Co-curricular Requirement |       | 3 units |
| Total                     |       | 44 cr.  |

# **Proposed Program**

| Core Requirement Year 1:  | 12 cr.  |
|---|---------|
| Composition 3 cr. World Cultures 3 cr. Year 2: Social/Behavioral Science Core 3 cr. |         |
| Humanities/Fine Arts Core 3 cr.   |         |
| STEM Requirement  | 16 cr.  |
| HASS Electives units may NOT specify a course                                       | 12 cr.  |
| Co-curricular Requirement   | 3 units |
| Total   | 40 cr.  |

### Phase 2

#### to be considered Fall, 2012

| GL Global Learning course<br>may be HASS; may be CI<br>may be within major | 3 cr.                          |
|--|--------------------------------|
| CI Communication-Intensive Courses CI HASS Electives CI within Major       | 6 cr.<br>2 courses (min 4 cr.) |
| Capstone within Major  | One Course                     |

## **Transition Process**

| Distribution Committee              | HASS Electives STEM Requirement Social/Behavioral Science Requirement (SBS) Humanities/Fine Arts Requirement (HFA) |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| Establish Global Learning Committee | Develop definition of Global Learning Requirement  |
| Communication Committee             | Develop definition of Communication Intensive Requirement  |

## **Transition Schedule**

| Spring, 2012  | Distribution Committee develops operational definitions and minimum requirements for SBS and HFA courses |
|---------------|--|
| Oct., 2012    | Course and degree changes submitted in binder  |
| OctNov., 2012 | SBS & HFA courses reviewed and approved by Distribution Committee  |
| January, 2013 | All changes completed  |
| Fall, 2013    | New core requirements apply to entering students   |

## **Phase 2 Schedule**

| Fall, 2012     | Committees develop operational definitions and minimum requirements for courses     |
|----------------|---|
| December, 2012 | Senate action. If adopted:  |
| Spring, 2013   | Workshops for faculty on implementing Communication-Intensive courses               |
| Fall, 2013     | Course and degree changes submitted in binder                                       |
| January, 2014  | All changes completed for new requirements apply to entering students in fall, 2014 |

## University Student Learning Goals

- Disciplinary Knowledge
- Knowledge of Human Cultures and the Physical and Natural World
- Global Literacy
- Critical and Creative Thinking
- Communication
- Information Literacy
- Technology
- Values and Civic Engagement