

Approval Process for Missouri S&T's General Education Curriculum

1. The one-time creation of a new general education curriculum will originate with the General Education subgroup formed by the Provost and guided by the Associate Provost for Academic Operations, Accreditation, and Assessment. This group was created to address the mandate from the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) accrediting agency to create General Education guidelines for all students seeking undergraduate degrees at Missouri S&T. The initial general education curriculum will need to be approved by Campus Curriculum Committee and Faculty Senate.
2. After the initial creation of a general education curriculum, future changes to the general education curriculum may originate from any group of ten or more regular faculty members at Missouri S&T, meeting either at their own initiative, or that of the Faculty Senate officers, or that of the Provost's office. If the originating group, officer, or administrator so desires, the group may include non-voting members who are not regular faculty members.
3. In all cases, the group making the proposal submits a cover letter and general education curriculum proposal to the Campus Curriculum Committee (CCC), by sending the relevant documents to the chair of the CCC. The sender should copy the Faculty Senate President, the Provost, the Vice Provosts and Deans of all the colleges, and the chair of the Department Chairs Committee.
4. The CCC solicits feedback on the proposal from each Discipline Specific Curriculum Committee (DSCC).
5. After considering the feedback from the DSCC, if the CCC approves the proposal, it shall present a motion for approval to the Faculty Senate. If the CCC does not approve the

proposal, it shall return the proposal to the originating group with feedback explaining why it was rejected. If the originating group so desires, it may then make changes and start the process over again.

6. The Faculty Senate votes on the CCC's motion for approval.
7. Upon approval of the Faculty Senate, the Registrar's Office adds the new/revised general education curriculum into the catalog and adds the required courses into the Degree Audit System.
8. If desired or necessary, each department shall adjust its undergraduate degree requirements in light of the new/revised general education curriculum through the normal Degree Change (DC) process. The department will not be allowed to make any adjustments to the approved general education curriculum.
9. Assessment of the General Education Program will be the responsibility of the University Assessment Committee.