Baccalaureate Core Committee

Note: The blue bolded text indicates proposed additions to the Standing Rules.

Standing Rules:

The Baccalaureate Core Committee has the authority to develop and approve strategy, policy and planning for the Baccalaureate Core.

The Baccalaureate Core Committee reviews the content and appropriateness of both existing and proposed baccalaureate core courses. The committee shall conduct periodic reviews of the overall baccalaureate core program, and of existing courses within this program, to ensure that the criteria of the general education model are being met and to evaluate student attainment of category learning outcomes. This work depends on the availability of data to be provided by university administration at the request of the Baccalaureate Core Committee. The committee shall also evaluate proposals for additional and new courses deemed relevant to the core and stimulate proposals for additional and new courses as deemed necessary and advise faculty members in the preparation of such proposals.

The Committee shall consist of fourteen faculty and two students. At least two of the voting faculty members shall be from the College of Liberal Arts, at least two from the College of Science, and in so far as possible, at least one from each college responsible for granting standalone Bachelor Degrees. OSU-Cascades shall have one voting representative on the Committee. The voting membership shall also consist of one professional academic advisor and up to two other professional faculty who are involved in either instruction, advising and/or curriculum. No college shall form a majority of the committee. In addition, the following shall be ex-officio members, non-voting: the Writing Intensive Curriculum program director, the Difference, Power, and Discrimination program director, the OSU Baccalaureate Core Director, the OSU-Cascades Baccalaureate Core Coordinator, an Undergraduate Education representative appointed by the Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education and an Ecampus representative appointed by the Associate Provost for Ecampus.

Rationale: Both OSU main campus in Corvallis and OSU-Cascades have new Baccalaureate Core administrators and it would benefit both of these individuals, as well as the Baccalaureate Core Committee, if they were ex-officio non-voting members who regularly attended meetings. This would also help to strengthen the communication and review process among the various entities.