Resolution for Implementing the Approved Liberal Education Framework
Senate Executive Committee
October 6, 2015

Whereas the Chancellor approved and authorized on 5/14/2014 a University Senate action to implement a Liberal Education Core compromise proposal;

And that implementation of Liberal Education Core was scheduled to be effective beginning with the 2016-17 Undergraduate Catalog;

And that catalog copy for the 2016-17 Undergraduate Catalog is defined in Fall 2015;

And that course-related changes to an undergraduate catalog are defined no later than the fall of the year preceding the publication date of a given undergraduate catalog;

And that accurate communication of undergraduate degree requirements with prospective Fall 2016 students occurs in 2015;

And that faculty across campus are working hard to develop course proposals for inclusion in the Liberal Education core simultaneously with providing quality instruction during a time of staff reductions and consequential changes across campus;

And that we hold students harmless in our transition from General Education to Liberal Education by holding them only to those requirements for which we have the capacity to deliver;

And that insufficient capacity currently exists in all required liberal education learning outcomes, which will result in preventing student completion in a timely manner;

Therefore be it resolved that the entire Liberal Education framework be published in the 2016-17 Undergraduate Catalog as defined in the Liberal Education Core compromise proposal;

And that credits earned in any course with a Liberal Education designation count toward the required 36 credits of Liberal Education;

And that Liberal Education Learning Outcomes K1, K2, K3, S1, S2, R1, and R2 display as “required” on Degree Audits starting with the 2016-17 Undergraduate Catalog;

And that Liberal Education Learning Outcomes K4, S3, and R3 display as “required” on Degree Audits for subsequent undergraduate catalogs as soon as enrollment capacity in those outcomes meets the target goal of 3,000 seats per academic year;

And that one (1) experience be required to meet the Liberal Education Learning Outcome IL for Degree Audits starting with the 2016-17 Undergraduate Catalog;

And that two (2) experiences be required to meet the Liberal Education Learning Outcome IL for Degree Audits for subsequent undergraduate catalogs as soon as enrollment capacity in the IL outcome meets the target goal of 6,000 seats per academic year;

And that the reduction to the requirements in the Liberal Education core be understood as temporary until each Learning Outcome meets its respective enrollment capacity target.