SENATE ACTION FORM

No. 1170

Subject: Revisions to the Liberal Arts Core

Reference to Senate Minutes dated: 5/6/19

Senate Action:
MOTION: DeKrey moved to accept the Proposed Revisions to the Liberal Arts Core as presented.
VOTE: The motion to accept the Liberal Arts Core documents with the two clarifying amendments was unanimously approved by a voice vote and will be presented to the entire faculty for approval in September 2019.

Response requested:

_____ Approval for placement in University Catalog
_____ Approval for placement in University Regulations
_____ Recommendation to Board for placement in Board Policy Manual
__X__ None (sent as information item)
_____ Other action requested/comments:

______________________________________  12/12/19
Faculty Senate Chair                        Date

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Administrative review of Senate action (unnecessary for information items):

_____ Reviewed by VPAA/Provost. Check ______ if comments attached

_____ Reviewed by General Counsel. Check ______ if comments attached

Presidential action:

_____ Approve      _____ Reject      _____ Return to Senate for discussion/modification (comments attached)

______________________________________  _____________________________
President/Designated Administrative Officer  Date

Date of Board approval (if applicable): ____________________________

PLEASE RETURN SIGNED ORIGINAL AND ATTACHMENT TO THE FACULTY SENATE OFFICE, CARTER 2004, BOX 75.
Proposed Revisions to Liberal Arts Core
With Proposed Amendments

Reasons for Revisions:

The goal is to streamline requirements in order to improve student retention and graduation rates and improve the Liberal Arts Core experience for all students. In addition, the Colorado Department of Higher Education (CDHE) has modified its policy surrounding the Colorado Guaranteed Transfer Pathways (gtP) General Education Core. UNC can no longer require transfer students to complete different core requirements than those specified in the gtP Core. This proposal accommodates the new CDHE requirements, ensures that all UNC students (whether transfer or not) face the same liberal arts requirements, and maintains UNC’s commitment to Multicultural and International Studies and the liberal arts.

Changes:

- Reduce minimum number of required credits from 40 to 31.**
- Change the name from Liberal Arts Core to the Liberal Arts Curriculum.
- Add the option of an Advanced Writing Course for students who have already completed the requirements for an Intermediate Writing Course.**
- Eliminate the requirement of taking courses from two different subcategories in Arts & Humanities.**
- Eliminate the requirement of taking courses from two different subcategories in Social & Behavioral Sciences (if more than one course is taken in that category).**
- Eliminate the requirement of taking courses from two different prefixes in Natural & Physical Sciences.**
- Eliminate the current electives category.
- Remove exceptions to ENG 122 and MATH requirements for students with high enough SAT/ACT scores **
- Change the multicultural and international studies requirements as follows:
  - Move United States Multicultural Studies and International Studies from their positions as separate categories into the Liberal Arts Curriculum.
  - Specify a “U.S. Multicultural and International Studies Requirement” that all students must take at least one course designated as U.S. Multicultural Studies and at least one course designated as International Studies.


Provide a list of courses designated as U.S. Multicultural Studies and a list of courses designated as International Studies before the Arts & Humanities, History, and Social & Behavioral Sciences categories. Mark all courses in those categories as having the [MS] or [IS] designation.

Note: This results in two independent requirements to satisfy the 15 credits from Arts & Humanities, History, and Social & Behavioral Sciences: (1) students must complete 6 credits in Arts & Humanities, 3 credits in History, 3 credits in Social & Behavioral Sciences, plus 3 credits in any of those categories; and (2) in completing these 15 credits, students must complete at least one course designated [MS] and at least one course designated [IS].

**Complies with state requirements.

NOTE: These changes will take effect in Fall 2021.

Liberal Arts Curriculum [State of Colorado Guaranteed Pathways (gtP) Curriculum] – Minimum of 31 Credits

Note: Transfer students with an Associate of Arts, Associate of Science, or a Bachelor’s degree (regardless of date of completion) from an accredited institution will have their Liberal Arts Curriculum requirements waived.

Written Communication – 6 Credits

- Introductory Writing Course and Intermediate Writing Course
- OR
- Intermediate Writing Course and Advanced Writing Course

Mathematics – 3 Credits


Select 2 courses from Arts & Humanities, 1 course from History, 1 course from Social & Behavioral Sciences and 1 additional course from any of these categories.

U.S. Multicultural and International Studies Requirement:
At least one course (3 credits) must carry a Multicultural Studies [MS] designation, and at least one course (3 credits) must carry an International Studies [IS] designation. Courses with these designations are listed below and marked where they appear in the Arts & Humanities, History, and Social & Behavioral Sciences categories.

Courses designated as U.S. Multicultural Studies:
Select one course to be used toward the state mandated minimum 15 credits required in the Arts & Humanities, History, and Social & Behavioral Sciences categories.

Courses designated as International Studies:
Select one course to be used toward the state mandated minimum 15 credits required in the Arts & Humanities, History, and Social & Behavioral Sciences categories.

Arts & Humanities – 2 Courses (Minimum 3 Credits each)
- Arts & Expression
- Literature and Humanities
- Ways of Thinking
- World Languages (must be 200-level)

History – 1 Course (Minimum 3 Credits)

Social & Behavioral Sciences – 1 Course (Minimum 3 Credits)
- Economic or Political Systems
- Geography
- Human Behavior, Culture, or Social Frameworks

To reach a minimum of 15 credits, select 1 additional course (minimum 3 credits) in Arts & Humanities or History or Social & Behavioral Sciences.
Natural & Physical Sciences – 7 Credits
One Course with Required Laboratory
One Course with or without Laboratory

LIBERAL ARTS CURRICULUM CHECKLIST
As Seen by Faculty Senate, May 2019

Requirements:
Students are required to complete at least 31 hours distributed among the following areas:
• Written Communication – 6 Credits
• Mathematics – 3 Credits
• Arts & Humanities, History, Social & Behavioral Sciences, U.S. Multicultural Studies, and International Studies – 15 Credits
• Natural & Physical Sciences – 7 Credits

U.S. Multicultural and International Studies Requirement:
To complete the 31 credit LAC state minimum, at least one course (3 credits) must carry a U.S. Multicultural Studies [MS] designation, and at least one course (3 credits) must carry an International Studies [IS] designation. In order to complete the Liberal Arts Curriculum within 31 credits, six total credits must be doubled counted.

Written Communication – 6 Credits
Select from the following after consulting with an advisor:
One course from GT-CO1 (Introductory Writing Course) and one course from GT-CO2 (Intermediate Writing Course) OR
One course from GT-CO2 (Intermediate Writing Course) and one course from GT-CO3 (Advanced Writing Course)
Students should consult their advisor for proper placement in Written Communication courses.

Introductory Writing Course
- ENG 122 College Composition (3) gTP

Intermediate Writing Course
- BA 205 Business Communications (3) gTP
  (only if take Summer 2008 or earlier or Fall 2013 or later)
- ENG 123 College Research Paper (3) gTP
- ENG 225 Communications on a Theme (3) gTP
- PVA 152 Writing and Scholarship in the Performing and Visual Arts (3) gTP
- SCI 225 Writing on Scientific Practices (3)
- SCI 291 Scientific Writing (3) gTP

Advanced Writing Course
(courses offerings to be determined)

Mathematics – 3 Credits
Select one course. Note: If you select Math 181, you must also complete Math 182 to satisfy the requirement.

- MATH 120 Mathematics and Liberal Arts (3) gTP
- MATH 124 College Algebra (4) gTP
- MATH 125 Plane Trigonometry (3) gTP
- MATH 127 Elementary Functions (4) gTP
- MATH 131 Calculus I (4) gTP
- MATH 132 Calculus II (4) gTP
- MATH 171 Calculus I for Life Sciences (4) gTP
  (only if taken Fall 2010 or later)
- MATH 181 Fundamentals of Mathematics I: Numbers and Operations (3) gTP
- MATH 182 Fundamental Mathematics II: Algebra, Probability and Data Analysis (3) gTP
- MATH 185 Number Sense and Algebra (3)
  (only if taken Fall 2015 or later)
- MATH 186 Elements of Calculus (3)
- STAT 150 Introduction to Statistical Analysis (3) gTP

Select two courses from Arts & Humanities, one course from History, one course from Social & Behavioral Sciences and one additional course from any of these categories.

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At least one course (3 credits) must carry a U.S. Multicultural Studies [MS] designation, and at least one course (3 credits) must carry an International Studies [IS] designation. Courses with these designations are listed below and marked where they appear in the Arts & Humanities, History, and Social & Behavioral Sciences categories. In order to complete the Liberal Arts Curriculum within 31 credits, six total credits must be doubled counted.

Courses designated as U.S. Multicultural Studies:
Select one course to be used toward the state mandated minimum 15 credits required in the Arts & Humanities, History, and Social & Behavioral Sciences categories.

__AFS 100 Introduction to Africans Studies (3) gtP__
__AFS 101 Development of Black Identity (3) gtP__
__ANT 212 North American Indians (3) gtP__
__ASL 201 American Sign Language III (3) gtP (only if taken Fall 2008 or later) __
__ASL 202 American Sign Language IV (3) gtP (only if taken Fall 2008 or later) __
__ENG 256 Ethnic American Literature (3) gtP__
__GNDR 101 Gender and Society (3) gtP__
__HISP 102 Hispanic Cultures in the United States (3) gtP__
__MAS 100 Intro to Mexican American Studies (3) gtP__
__MAS 110 Contemporary Chicano Literature (3) gtP__
__MIND 182 Confluence of Cultures (3) gtP__
__MUS 150 History of Rock and Roll (3) gtP__
__MUS 296 Jazz Music: History and Appreciation (3) gtP (only if taken Fall 2010 or later) __
__SOC 221 Sociology of Gender (3) gtP (only if taken Fall 2010 or later) __
__SOC 237 Sociology of Race, Racism and Power (3) gtP__

Courses designated as International Studies:
Select one course to be used toward the state mandated minimum 15 credits required in the Arts & Humanities, History, and Social & Behavioral Sciences categories.

__ANT 110 Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (3) gtP__
__CHIN 201 Intermediate Chinese I (3) gtP__
__CHIN 202 Intermediate Chinese II (3) gtP__
__FR 116 Contemporary France (3) gtP__
__FR 201 Intermediate French I (3) gtP__
__FR 202 Intermediate French II (3) gtP__
__GER 115 Contemporary Germany (3) gtP__
__GER 201 Intermediate German I (3) gtP__
__GER 202 Intermediate German II (3) gtP__
__HISP 111 Introduction to Hispanic Literature (3) gtP__
__JAPN 201 Intermediate Japanese I (3) gtP__
__JAPN 202 Intermediate Japanese II (3) gtP__
__MIND 180 Great Ideas of the Western Tradition (3) gtP__
__MIND 181 Great Traditions of Asia (3) gtP__
__MUS 143 Introduction to Ethnomusicology (3) gtP__
__MUS 247 Music Cultures of the World (3) gtP__
__MUS 248 Asian Musical Culture (3) gtP__
__PHL 126 Introduction to Global Philosophies (3) gtP__
__PSCI 110 Global Issues (3) gtP (only if taken Fall 2009 or later) __
__SPAN 201 Intermediate Spanish I (3) gtP__
__SPAN 202 Intermediate Spanish II (3) gtP__

Arts & Humanities – 2 Courses (Minimum 3 Credits each)

**Arts & Expression**
__ART 181 Ancient Art History (3) gtP__
__ART 182 Medieval to Rococo Art History (3) gtP__
__ART 185 Neoclassic to Modern Art History (3) gtP (only if taken Fall 2012 or later) __
__ART 180 Art Appreciation (3) gtP__
__ART 280 Visual Problem Solving (3) gtP (only if taken Fall 2013 or later) __
__FILM 120 Introduction to Film (3) gtP (only if taken Fall 2009 or later) __
__HUM 130 Introduction to Cultural Studies (3) gtP__
__MT 296 Musical Theatre History (3) gtP__
__MUS 140 Introduction to Music (3) gtP__
__MUS 143 Musical Styles and Context (3) gtP__
__MUS 150 History of Rock and Roll (3) gtP__
__MUS 204 Music Fundamentals and Experiences (3) gtP__
__MUS 243 History of Music I (3) gtP__
__MUS 247 Music Cultures of the World (3) gtP__
__MUS 248 Asian Musical Culture (3) gtP__
__MUS 295 Jazz Music History and Appreciation (3) gtP (only if taken Fall 2009 or later) __
__THEA 150 Introduction to the Theatre (3) gtP__
__THEA 225 Theatre in Film (3) gtP__
__THEA 256 History of Theatre I (3) gtP__
__THEA 257 History of Theatre II (3) gtP__

**Literature and Humanities**
__AFS 205 Survey of African American Literature (3) gtP__
__CHIN 215 Masterpieces in Chinese Literature (3) gtP (only if taken Fall 2012 or later) __
__ENG 131 Introduction to Literature (3) gtP__
__ENG 211 Survey of American Literature (3) gtP__
__ENG 213 Survey of British Literature I (3) gtP__
__ENG 214 British Literature II (3) gtP__
__ENG 256 Ethnic American Literature (3) gtP (only if taken Fall 2010 or later) __
__ENG 262 Masterspieces of World Literature (3) gtP
__HISP 111 Introduction to Hispanic Literature (3) [IS] gtP
__HUM 122 Popular Medievalisms (3) gtP (only if taken after summer of 2018)
__HUM 231 Images of Women in Literature and the Arts (3) gtP
__MAS 110 Contemporary Chicano Literature (3) [IS] gtP
__MIND 180 Great Ideas of the Western Tradition (3) [IS] gtP
__MIND 181 Great Traditions of Asia (3) [IS] gtP
__MIND 182 Confluence of Cultures (3) [IS] gtP
__MUS 212 Song Lyrics (3) gtP
    (gtP only if taken Fall 2015 or later)

Ways of Thinking
__BA 150 Foundations of Business Thought (3) gtP
__MIND 181 Great Traditions of Asia (3) gtP
__MIND 185 Religions and Worldviews (3) gtP (only if taken after Fall of 2019 or later)
__MIND 290 Search for Meaning (3) gtP
__MUS 248 Asian Musical Culture (3) gtP
__PHIL 100 Introduction to Philosophy (3) gtP
__PHIL 125 Introduction to Global Philosophies (3) [IS] gtP
__PHIL 150 Ethics in Theory and Practice (3) gtP
__PHIL 221 Basic Logic (3) gtP
__PHIL 225 Philosophical Figures (3) gtP
__PHIL 250 Medical Ethics (3) gtP
__PHIL 280 Philosophy of Science (3) gtP

World Languages
__ASL 101 American Sign Language I (3) [IS] gtP (only if taken Fall 2008 or later)
__ASL 202 American Sign Language II (3) [IS] gtP (only if taken Fall 2008 or later)
__CHIN 201 Intermediate Chinese I (3) [IS] gtP
__CHIN 202 Intermediate Chinese II (3) [IS] gtP
__FR 201 Intermediate French I (3) [IS] gtP
__FR 202 Intermediate French II (3) [IS] gtP
__GER 201 Intermediate German I (3) [IS] gtP
__GER 202 Intermediate German II (3) [IS] gtP
__JS 201 Intermediate Japanese I (3) [IS] gtP
__JS 202 Intermediate Japanese II (3) [IS] gtP
__SPAN 201 Intermediate Spanish I (3) [IS] gtP
__SPAN 202 Intermediate Spanish II (3) [IS] gtP

History – 1 Course (Minimum 3 Credits)

__AFS 100 Introduction to Africana Studies (3) [IS] gtP (only if taken Fall 2013 or later)
__AFS 101 Development of Black Identity (3) [IS] gtP
__AFS 201 African American History I (3) gtP
__AFS 202 African American History II (3) gtP
__HIST 100 Survey of American History: Beginning to 1877 (3)
__HIST 101 Survey of American History: 1877 to the Present (3) gtP
__HIST 110 African Civilization (3) gtP
__HIST 112 Asian Civilization: From Prehistory to 1500 (3) gtP (only if taken Fall 2010 or later)
__HIST 113 Asian Civilization: From 1500 to the Present (3) gtP
__HIST 114 World History to 1500 (3) gtP
__HIST 115 World History since 1500 (3) gtP
__HIST 118 History of Mexico (3) gtP
__HIST 120 Western Civilization before 1669 (3) gtP
__HIST 121 Western Civilization 1669 to Present (3) gtP

Social & Behavioral Sciences – 1 Course (Minimum 3 Credits)

Economic or Political Systems
__ECON 101 Understanding the Contemporary Economy (3) gtP
__ECON 203 Principles of Macroeconomics (3) gtP
__ECON 205 Principles of Microeconomics (3) gtP
__FR 116 Contemporary France (3) [IS] gtP
__GER 116 Contemporary Germany (3) [IS] gtP
__PSCI 100 U.S. National Government (3) gtP
__PSCI 105 Fundamentals of Politics (3) gtP
__PSCI 110 Global Issues (3) [IS] gtP (only if taken Fall 2009 or later)
__PSCI 286 Value Issues in Political Economy (3) gtP

Geography
__GEOG 100 World Geography (3) gtP
__GEOG 110 Geography of the United States and Canada (3) gtP
__GEOG 202 Human Geography (3) gtP
__GEOG 250 The Making of the American Landscape (3) gtP

Human Behavior, Culture, or Social Frameworks
__ANT 100 Introduction to Anthropology (3) gtP
__ANT 110 Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (3) [IS] gtP
__ANT 120 World Archaeology (3) gtP
__ANT 245 Intro to Ethnomusicology (3)
__ANT 211 North American Indians (3) [IS] gtP
__ASLS 160 Introduction to Human Communication and Its Disorders (3) gtP (only if taken Fall 2008 or later)
__CRI 110 Introduction to Criminal Justice (3) gtP (only if taken after Fall 2019 or later)
__GD 101 Gender and Society (3) [IS] gtP
__HISP 102 Hispanic Cultures in the United States (3) [IS] gtP
__HISR 205 Introduction to Human Services (3) gtP
__HUSR 208 Perspectives on Aging and Later Life (3) gtP
__MAS 100 Intro to Mexican American Studies (3) [IS] gtP (only if taken Fall 2008 or later)
__MUS 245 Introduction to Ethnomusicology (3) [IS] gtP
__NURS 200 Women’s Health Care (3) gtP
__PSY 120 Principles of Psychology (3) gtP
__PSY 230 Human Growth and Development (3) gtP
__PSY 247 Adolescent Learning and Motivation (3)
__PSY 255 Social Psychology (3) gtP
__SOC 100 Principles of Sociology (3) gtP
__SOC 120 Introduction to Family Studies (3) gtP
__SOC 170 Social Problems (3) gtP (only if taken Fall 2011 or later)
__SOC 221 Sociology of Gender (3) [IS] gtP
__SOC 257 Sociology of Race, Class and Power (3) [IS] gtP

To reach a minimum of 15 credits, select 1 additional course (minimum 3 credits) in Arts & Humanities or History or Social & Behavioral Sciences.
Natural & Physical Sciences – 7 Credits

Two courses required:
One course with a required laboratory. One course with or without a laboratory.
CHEM 102 can be counted toward the satisfaction of this requirement only upon the completion of CHEM 101.

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Special Notes:
- Students must fulfill any Liberal Arts Curriculum requirements specified by their major. Students must consult with their academic advisor, the university catalog, and Degree Works for specific requirements.
- No course taken before the time it appears as a Liberal Arts Curriculum course in the Catalog may be used to satisfy the requirements of the Liberal Arts Curriculum.
- No course taken after the time it is removed from the eligibility list for the Liberal Arts Curriculum may be used to satisfy the requirements of the Liberal Arts Curriculum.
- Regardless of a student's catalog year, any course taken at UNC after Summer 2006 may be used to satisfy a particular Liberal Arts Curriculum requirement if and only if it is listed as an approved Liberal Arts Curriculum course in the relevant area in the Catalog in effect at the time it was taken.
- Each UNC Catalog is in effect for six years. UNC's previous “General Education” program therefore expired in Summer 2011. Students who were at any time subject to the requirements of that program must now satisfy the requirements of the Liberal Arts Curriculum. If a course that was taken to satisfy one of the previous General Education requirements is still listed as an approved course in the Liberal Arts Curriculum, that course may still be counted toward the satisfaction of the relevant requirement in the Liberal Arts Curriculum. If it is no longer listed as an approved course in the Liberal Arts Curriculum, it may not be counted.
- Courses taken at UNC not approved for inclusion in the Liberal Arts Curriculum may not be substituted for courses that have been approved for inclusion in the Liberal Arts Curriculum in the satisfaction of the requirements of the Liberal Arts Curriculum. Any course being transferred to UNC that has not already been designated as equivalent to any course approved for inclusion within the Liberal Arts Curriculum will be referred to a designated representative of the relevant department/program for review. If it is decided that the course is equivalent to an approved Liberal Arts Curriculum course, it will be designated as such for all students desiring to transfer it to UNC in the future.
- Courses bearing the designation “gtP” have all been approved for inclusion in Colorado's Guaranteed Pathways (gtP).

Waiver of Liberal Arts Curriculum Requirements
Individuals with an Associate of Arts, Associate of Science, or a Bachelor's degree (regardless of date of completion) from an accredited institution will have their Liberal Arts Curriculum requirements waived.

Exceptions to the Requirements of the Liberal Arts Curriculum
Students interested in challenging a Liberal Arts Curriculum course should contact the appropriate program to determine the availability of a challenge examination.

Guaranteed Transferability
Courses bearing the gtP designation have been approved by the Colorado Commission on Higher Education (CCHE) for inclusion in the Colorado Guaranteed Transfer Program. These courses will automatically transfer to any Colorado public institution and continue to count toward general education or other graduation requirements for any liberal arts or science associate or bachelor's degree program, if students receive a grade of "C" or better. Statewide articulation agreements prescribe courses that will transfer in general education and within specific degrees. The list of statewide articulation agreements is located on this link: Statewide Articulation Agreements.