The University Senate of Michigan Technological University

Proposal 22-12 (amended 04-18-12)  
(Voting Units: Academic)

“Proposal to Establish Committees to Recommend Guidelines for Communication Intensive and Global Learning Content of Courses”

Background

The General Education requirements are currently under review. One area identified by the General Education Council to be addressed in the future is the designation of some class as Communication Intensive (CI) and as Global Learning (GL). It is suggested that these designations may be considered for inclusion in the next step of General Education Reform at the Michigan Technological University. This proposal establishes two committees to develop recommendations as to what would constitute a CI and a GL course.

Proposal

The General Education Council will also establish two new committees:

The Communication Committee will be responsible for developing definitions and identifying requirements for courses to meet a Communication Intensive specification if such a specification is to be requirement and recommending those to the General Education Council. The Committee will consist of at least five faculty members appointed by the Provost, including at least one faculty member from the Humanities Department, one from an academic unit representing the social and behavioral sciences, one from the College of Engineering and one from other STEM academic units.

The Global Learning Committee will be responsible for developing definitions and identifying requirements for courses to meet the Global Learning requirement and recommending those to the General Education Council. The Committee will consist of at least five faculty members appointed by the Provost, including one instructor of World Cultures/Global Issues, one faculty from the social and behavioral sciences, one from the humanities and fine arts, one from the College of Engineering and one from other STEM academic units.

The General Education Council will be responsible for developing definitions and identifying requirements for courses to satisfy a Capstone requirement.

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