1.4.3.0 UK Core Education Committee (UKCEC)

A. Composition

The UK Core Education Committee of the University Senate shall be composed of twelve (12) voting members. It shall be chaired by the Associate Provost for Undergraduate Education (or a designee) who shall not have a vote except in cases of ties. “Program” refers to the UK Core (general education) program.

The University Faculty members on the UKCEC shall be appointed by the Senate Council who shall solicit nominations from the University Faculty prior to making appointments. Faculty members shall serve for staggered three-year terms and may not succeed themselves nor may they serve on the UKCEC again for a period of three years, except for a faculty member who is appointed to fill out a vacant term of one year or less. Two student members shall be appointed annually by the Senate Council from names recommended by the President of the Student Government Association.

The composition of the appointed faculty membership of the UKCEC is as follows:

- One member from the College of Arts & Sciences for the area of Composition and Communication;
- One member from the College of Communication and Information for the area of Composition and Communication;
- One member from the area of Intellectual Inquiry – Arts & Creativity;
- One member from the area of Intellectual Inquiry – Humanities;
- One member from the area of Intellectual Inquiry – Natural/Physical/Mathematical Sciences;
- One member from the area of Intellectual Inquiry – Social Sciences;
- One member from the area of Citizenship - Community, Culture and Citizenship in the USA;
- One member from the area of Citizenship - Global Dynamics;
- One member from the area of Statistical Inferential Reasoning; and
- One member from the area of Quantitative Foundations.

Four *ex-officio*, non-voting members from the following areas will be selected by the Associate Provost for Undergraduate Education:

- Office of Assessment
- Enrollment Management
- Undergraduate Education
- University Libraries

B. Functions

The UK Core Education Committee shall exercise the following functions:

1. It shall approve and recommend all courses which are proposed to the University Senate to fulfill the program requirements.

2. It shall maintain long-term oversight of the program, including periodic course review and program assessment to ensure that the program fulfills the learning outcomes.
3. It shall recommend to the Senate Council the deletion of courses (or pairs of courses) from the program that no longer seem appropriate to the program, and recommend to colleges or departments, through the Associate Provost for Undergraduate Education, such changes concerning teaching and content as it deems necessary or appropriate.

4. It shall continue to work to enhance the program and assert the program’s centrality to the undergraduate curriculum through involvement in university-wide planning and policy discussions related to the program.

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5. Upon the recommendation of the Dean of Undergraduate Studies or upon its own initiative, it shall develop and propose changes in the structure of the program or in the requirements necessary to complete the program.

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6. It shall make recommendations to the Dean of Undergraduate Studies on individual cases of temporary waivers of or temporary substitutions for program requirements.

7. It shall set policies for the granting of credit to transfer students for courses taken which are equivalent to those in the program and it shall communicate these policies to all undergraduate colleges on campus.

C. Waivers

All waivers of or substitutions for program requirements for particular categories of students, if approved by the Committee, shall be submitted to the Senate Council for its approval by the Senate. The Senate Council’s approval of temporary waivers of or substitutions for program requirements for particular categories of students shall be final.

5.4.3 REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADUATION

5.4.3.2† UK Core Requirements

Each undergraduate student must complete all four parts of the UK Core Requirements designated as I-IV below. A course taken to satisfy a requirement in one area of the UK Core cannot be used to satisfy a requirement in another area, even if a specific course is present in more than one area (e.g., some courses are designed to meet the learning outcomes in more than one area).

I. Intellectual Inquiry
   A. The Nature of Inquiry in Arts and Creativity 3 hours
   B. The Nature of Inquiry in the Humanities 3 hours
   C. The Nature of Inquiry in the Social Sciences 3 hours
   D. The Nature of Inquiry in the Natural, Physical, and Mathematical Sciences 3 hours

II. Written, Oral and Visual Communication
   A. Composition and Communication I 3 hours
   B. Composition and Communication II 3 hours

III. Quantitative Reasoning

† Other sections of 5.4.3 are in process that may change the numbering
A. Quantitative Foundations 3 hours
B. Statistical Inferential Reasoning 3 hours

IV. Citizenship
   A. Community, Culture and Citizenship in the USA 3 hours
   B. Global Dynamics 3 hours

UK Core Credit-Hour Total* 30 hours

* *The UK Core is designed to provide the equivalent of 30 credit hours. Some courses in the UK Core require more than three credits, resulting in more than 30 credits in some cases.