Motion Regarding Transfer Equivalencies for CORE 101 and 102

(Introduced by Senator Roann Barris on behalf of the General Education Curricular Advisory Committee)

Be it Resolved: That the Faculty Senate recommends that for a minimum of three years, students can waive CORE 101 (Essentials of Written and Oral Communication) with the equivalency of ENGL 101 (Introduction to Expository Writing). Likewise, for a minimum of three years students can waive CORE 102 (Advanced Written and Oral Communication) with the equivalency of ENGL 102 (Reading, Writing, and Research Skills).

Rationale: The General Education Curricular Advisory Committee (GECAC) voted unanimously to recommend this change in policy.

Transfer students that began the Core Curriculum in 2010-11 could waive CORE 101 and 102 with the transfer equivalency of ENGL 101, ENGL 102, and COMS 114 (Public Speaking). Removing the COMS 114 requirement will allow students to progress through the core curriculum more easily.

By allowing requirements to be waived instead of substituted, students who need additional assistance with writing skills can be advised to take CORE 101 and/or 102 while using transfer or dual enrollment credits as free electives. Additionally, this will prevent students who received credit for ENGL 102 and CORE 102 from losing credits or using CORE 102 as a repeat.