

Motion Regarding Transfer Equivalencies for CORE 201 and 202

(Senator Roann Barris)

Be it Resolved: That the Faculty Senate recommends that for a minimum of three years, students can substitute CORE 201 (Topics in Written and Oral Communication) and CORE 202 (Ethical Topics in Written and Oral Communication) with the transfer equivalency of:

COMS 114 (Public Speaking) or COMS 240 (Teamwork and Communication)

AND

PHIL 111 (Introduction: Knowledge, Reality, and the Human Condition), PHIL 112 (Introduction: Ethics and Society), or PHIL 113 (Introduction: Reasoning and Argument).

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 201 and 202 with the transfer equivalency of PHIL 112, PHIL 113, and ITEC 199* (Introduction to Computing). Through discussion with the community colleges, it was discovered that many do not or infrequently offer these courses. This change will allow transfer students to progress through the core curriculum more easily.

*Note: There is no RU equivalency for CSC 110 – Introduction to Computing in the Virginia Community College System so a new course designation was created in the transfer database.