

REVISION OF SECTION 2.43.03.240 OF THE GENERAL EDUCATION PROGRAM STATUTE

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Governors revise section 2.43.03.240 of the General Education Program Statute. This section is related to the make-up of the General Education Oversight Committee. If adopted, the change would be effective immediately.

Background

The current statute governing the makeup of the General Education Oversight Committee (GEOC) guarantees proportional faculty representation but provides no guaranteed representation to students. Our General Education Program has a significant impact on student success, and students can provide valuable insight for ensuring its design promotes student success. The proposed language institutionalizes student representation on GEOC.

Current Statute Language

General Education Oversight Committee

2.43.03.240 The GEOC will be representative of the University community as a whole as follows: One (1) representative each from the colleges of Business, Education, Engineering, Nursing, Pharmacy and Health Sciences, and Social Work; two (2) representatives from the College of Fine, Performing and Communication Arts; six (6) representatives from the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; two (2) representatives selected by the Academic Senate (one (1) tenured faculty member and one (1) ESS Academic Staff member); and one (1) representative, ex officio, from the University Libraries. The committee shall elect a co-chair from amongst the voting members, and the Associate Provost shall serve, ex officio, as a co-chair. The committee shall decide the number of student representatives.

Recommended Statute Language

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Approvals

This proposal has been initiated and approved by the Student Senate, and has been approved by the Provost.