General Education and Graduation Requirement Proposed Model

This proposed model addresses the following Baccalaureate Degree Requirements:

1. 48 units state mandated system-wide minimum General Education Breadth (GE, Executive Order 1100),
2. 6 units state mandated U.S. History, U.S. Constitution, and California state and local government requirement (American Institutions “Code,” Title 5, Section 40404), and
3. 3 units Advanced Writing/Writing in the Disciplines graduation requirement, updating CSU East Bay’s current requirement for “2nd Composition”.

This proposed model does not address the following Baccalaureate Degree Requirements:

1. Writing Skills Requirement. The Writing Skills Subcommittee of the Committee on Instruction and Curriculum will propose models for meeting this state requirement.
2. Overlay requirements such as the current Cultural Groups and Women’s requirement will be determined by the end of AY 2014-15 (see “additional features yet to be determined” below).

This proposed model introduces the opportunity to “double count” up to 9 units as follows:

- 3 units in the lower division major department (prefix) may satisfy both the major and GE requirements
- 3 units of code may satisfy both Code and GE requirements.
- 3 units of Advanced Writing/Writing in the Disciplines in the major (prefix) may satisfy both major and graduation requirements.

NOTE that any course that satisfies both GE and/or Code and/or Advanced Writing must be certified as GE and/or Code and/or Advanced Writing through the usual curricular approval processes.

NOTE that, as in current practice, any course required for the major outside the major prefix that is approved for GE may count for both GE and major requirements.

UNITS Summary Implications of this proposed model

Baccalaureate Degree Requirements addressed = 57 units

57 = 48 units GE + 6 units Code + 3 units Advanced Writing

Potential for double counting = 9 units

9 = 3 units lower division major prefix + 3 units Code + 3 units Advanced Writing

Total Potential Units outside the major prefix = 48 units

48 = 57 units – 9 units
This proposed model discontinues the following features:

- Science Elective, formerly Area B5. EO 1100 requires 1 year of lower division science. On the quarter system, this allowed for a 3rd science elective within GE. On the semester system, the 1 year requirement is met with 2 lower division science courses (1 year) (details in the table below).

- Performing Arts and Activities, formerly Area F. EO 1100 does not include this local GE requirement. In order to meet the mandates of EO 1100 and propose a 48 unit requirement outside the major prefix, this requirement was not included in the model. It is anticipated that “Creative Expression” may be incorporated into the area C requirements (details in the table below).

- Freshman Academic Skills, formerly Area G. This requirement is a substitution in our current GE requirements for Area E in the semester model. It is anticipated that some of these outcomes will be incorporated into the Area E requirements (see details in the table below).

Additional features yet to be determined:

- Learning outcomes for all areas need to be updated.
- Potential “overlays” of learning outcomes, likely in upper division GE, are under discussion. These would be outcomes in addition to standard GE outcomes that address learning related to our institutional learning outcomes. These would enhance our current Cultural Groups and Women requirement (see proposed CIC 24).
- Overall structure and objectives for Area E.
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