

Executive Summary of Revisions of Metro State's General Studies Program

- Updated conceptual framework.
- General Studies goals become program objectives.
- Name Changes:
 - General Studies Program to CORE Curriculum
 - Level I to Skills of an Educated Person
 - Level II to Basic Knowledge of an Educated Person
- Areas remain the same: communication, mathematics, composition, history, arts & letters, natural sciences, and social sciences.
- All areas now have goals.
- Course criteria changed to student learning outcomes. Teaching- and faculty-centered language changed to learning- and student-centered language.
- Some new course content and support suggestions.
- New assessment plan per HLC Reaccreditation Recommendations.
- Senior Experience released to majors. New CORE Seminar replaces it at the junior level.
- New Director and Assistant Director of CORE Curriculum.
- Graduation requirements:
 - Multicultural requirement unchanged
 - New Global Studies requirement
 - New Writing in the Major requirement

Timeline and Process

- Submit new Graduation Requirements for vote in Fall 2008.
- Recertify CORE courses 2008-09:
 - Steering Committee oversee subcommittees
 - Subcommittees for each area will work with departments to review CORE courses
- Plan CORE Seminar in 2008-09. Implement when Skills and Basic Knowledge fully funded.