Resolution for the endorsement of the General Education common goals  
EPSA  
Second Reading and Vote  
May 5, 2014

Whereas the "Interim Report of the General Education Assessment Working Group" (2010) found that General Education at Ohio University is strong overall but identified areas of improvement;

Whereas the change to semesters has led us to redesign the curriculum, but did not change General Education requirements;

Whereas the 1804 General Education Task Force recommended that Ohio University move forward with a revision of the general education program, and proposed a set of principles and learning outcomes based on best practices, such as LEAP essential learning outcomes;

Whereas the present General Education Committee developed the common goals from the proposed learning outcomes and actively sought feedback from the colleges and schools concerning their shared values;

Whereas the present document does not propose any changes to the current model of General Education, but simply aims to achieve consensus on general education goals;

and whereas UCC and EPSA have provided input from faculty constituents on these goals;

Therefore be it resolved that Faculty Senate endorses these goals;

Be it resolved that the General Education Task Force develop learning objectives for these goals, in consultation with the objectives presented in the General Education Outcomes Committee final report, 2007 (http://www.ohio.edu/instres/assessments/genedlrnobj2007.pdf);

Be it resolved that the General Education Task Force propose possible changes to general education in order to meet the learning objectives for these goals;

Be it resolved that the General Education Task Force incorporate learning outcomes and assessment into any proposed changes to general education, in consultation with the Associate Provost for Institutional Accreditation and Institutional Research, to ensure compliance with accreditation criteria and use of institutional assessments, where appropriate;

Be it resolved that the General Education committee present any proposed revisions to UCC and EPSA before final approval of Faculty Senate;

Be it further resolved that the new goals do not go into effect until any proposed changes to the General Education program have been approved by UCC, EPSA, and Faculty Senate.