

General Studies Committee Summary Report to Faculty Senate

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2020-21 Activities:

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- * Strengthening the Liberal Arts Institute (2019)
- * Fall Faculty Conference Presentation (Sept 2020)
- * Presentation at New Faculty Workshop (Sept 2020)
- * #BLM in GENS Response (Sept 2020)
- * Proposal for Antiracist Ed G- requirement (Sept 2020)
- * GENS Course Audit by Program/Major (ongoing)
- * Pilot Assessment Project on ELO Goals for Middle States (ongoing)
- * GENS "How to Propose a G Course" Guidelines and Webpage Revision (F20) [webpage]
- * New Institutional Members, Association for Liberal and General Studies (ALGS) (website)
- * Reviewed, Developed and/or Approved **30** General Studies Courses (F20/S21)

2021-22 Goals:

1. Strengthen awareness of GENS mission and goals for students and faculty
2. Ensure integrity of GENS curriculum as distinct from program-based learning
3. Work as ambassadors for GENS and general education at university events.
4. Continue to develop GENS pedagogy and assessment workshops.
5. Revisit/revise course approval process for manageability suitable to task.
6. Ensure GENS courses are those students WANT to take, not HAVE to take.
7. Ensure GENS courses are those faculty WANT to teach, not HAVE to teach.