

Faculty Senate O/W Discussion notes for CAC

The O/W proposal (to replace O/W requirement with department communication plans) was discussed and will share them when/if they come. The following comments were made at the meeting:

1. Math Department is opposed.
 - a. The O/W system works great.
 - b. It is impossible to translate math outside of the discipline (don't like bullet three).
 - c. Don't want to create/manage another plan.
 - d. We want writing and oral communication covered
2. SOM is ready for a new communication plan/like the change.
3. Biology has mixed feelings about the plan.
4. Other ideas raised:
 - a. Choice is between a university wide requirement or individually tailored department requirements
 - b. Communication should be broader than just O/W.
 - c. Assessment on O/W has not been done/done well. Assessment is becoming more important to the university and accreditation.
 - d. Concerned about establishing criteria and oversight.
 - e. Would like to see example communication plans
5. Rainer suggested the following amendments and actions for bringing the motion back next meeting. The majority of faculty senators appeared to be in agreement if these items were addressed:
 - a. Add "oral" and "written" in bullet one ("Explain disciplinary content using a variety of modes of communication, including oral and written communication" or something...)
 - b. Add "as appropriate" to bullet three ("Translate disciplinary content to audiences outside the discipline as appropriate" or something...)
 - c. Provide Example Plans

Curricular Affairs Committee

AY 15/16 Draft Goals

Goal	Action to Date
Resolution of GERC proposals	

PHC to Bucket Plan Issues to Consider for CAC Meeting September 16, 2015

1. How should UAF distribute the requirements?
 - a.