

The GE Curriculum Adjustment Proposal

Submitted by the GE Committee

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The GE Committee was mandated by the Academic Senate (Minutes of October 21, 2014) to discuss the possibility to allow students with two WSI courses in their major to be exempt from having a WSI course outside of their major. The item was brought to the Senate's attention by Tori Ippolito, WCSA Student Representative.

The Committee surveyed Westmont students (n=111), analyzed the data and discussed the proposal. The majority of the GE Committee members do not support the idea of exempting students from having a WSI course outside their major. However, the Committee would like the Senate to consider an alternative proposal.

Specifically, the GE committee is asking the Academic Senate to consider the following adjustment to the General Education curriculum:

Remove the Writing for the Liberal Arts Requirement (but keep the Composition requirement) from the General Education program.

Students who fulfill their Composition requirement with a test score (SAT/AP/IB) will still take one WSI course in their major and one WSI course outside of their major but will not take the third WSI course.